

Town of Boxborough



Recreation Commission

Meeting 03/08/2016 Minutes

Meeting called to order at 7:18 p.m

Present: Hilary Greven, Claudine Lesk, Megan Connor, Kevin Lehner

Accept Minutes from January Meeting

There is a motion to accept meeting minutes from January; all in favor.

Summer Playground

We need to hire another director as Kyla will not be coming back. We do have a candidate for a director. We already have one candidate for a director, but **Kevin will talk to Selina about advertising a director's position. Kevin will reach out to Emily and Brian to confirm their interest to serve as directors again.**

Applications for counselors are being accepted through the end of March; we only have 6 applicants so far. Volunteers are 7th and 8th grade; 9th grade and above are counselors. Volunteers will be guaranteed 1 week and will likely be asked to do more.

Megan will reach out to ABRHS again to see if they will publish a notice re: Summer Playground hiring.

Boot camp

Holly is asking if she can just keep running the Fusion Fitness classes back to back or if she needs to keep getting permission from the Recreation Commission each time.

Also she would like to hold outdoor boot camp at Fifer's Field as follows:

- Session 1: Monday, June 6th - Wednesday, June 29th (8 class days)
- Session 2: Monday, July 11th - Wednesday, August 10th (10 class days)

There is a motion to allow Holly to continue Fusion Fitness without coming back to Rec Comm each time and to run boot camp at Fifer's field in June, July and August; all in favor. Holly will need to complete a field request form and send it back to Rec Comm. Rec Comm will ask for a field waiver request with 10% of gross profit and present at BoS. **Hilary will communicate the next steps to Holly.**

Flerra Access

The Conservation Commission has requested our take on the closed gate at Flerra Field during the winter. The Rec Comm feels that it should be closed during the winter and "enter at your own risk".

Winter Program

We have 12 participants in one 90 min session (9-10:30am). One director and one counselor have been running it. We need to think about getting more kids involved for next year.

Youth Programming/ Tae Kwon Do

Tae Kwon Do has raised \$4050 in two sessions, November 2015 to present.

We received a scholarship request for 2 children. There is a motion to approve through the end of the school year (June 2016); all in favor.

We need to request space at Blanchard for the Fall.

Winterfest

Thoughts from this year:

- AFN and the activities were great.
- Popcorn machine was good and paid for itself.
- Acton Open Door did a nice job with the face painting.
- EMS snowshoeing demo was good even though there was no snow; next year he can offer walks in the snow.
- Make sure that the wood for the bonfire is handled better. Wood is better than pallets.
- Hay bales were great.

Next year:

Offer local daycare/preschool to come advertise and do activities.

Horse drawn carriage- we have a name from Concord Rec Comm.

Make sure that the wood for the bonfire is handled better. Wood is better than pallets.

Tru West decided not to participate this year, but would like to next year.

Remember that we have 2 banners and Claudine is storing them.

In the future we should think it more of as a Community Day rather than just a snow based day

Town Meeting

We need to put together information for the CPA projects that were approved by the CPC (Skate Park and Liberty Field expansion)

- Skate park- contact state CPC Board to see what other communities have funded a project in another town. **Megan will champion.**
- Liberty Field expansion. **Hilary will champion.**

We also need to put together a request for free cash for the playground mulch and replacement piece. The mulch is coming from a reserve fund and the replacement piece is approximately \$1400.

Meeting adjourned at 8pm.

Next Meeting: April 5th at 7pm

Action Items:

1. Kevin will talk to Selina about advertising a director's position. Kevin will reach out to Emily and Brian to confirm their interest to serve as directors again.

2. Megan will reach out to ABRHS again to see if they will publish a notice re: Summer Playground hiring.
3. Hilary will communicate the next steps re: boot camp to Holly.
4. Megan will champion the Skate Park for the Town Meeting.
5. Hilary will champion the Liberty Field Expansion for the Town Meeting.