

SEABROOK RECREATION COMMISSION

July 18, 2013

PRESENT: Vernon Small, Member at Large-Chairman; Ray Smith, Selectman Representative; Jason Janvrin, Planning Board Representative; Maria Brown, Member at Large; Minabell Bowden, Member at Large and Sandy Beaudoin.

1. CALL TO ORDER: 7:11 PM

2. ELECTION OF OFFICERS: The commission decided that they would wait to do the election of officers until all members were present.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

a. April 18, 2013:

Motion: Jason Janvrin to approve minutes of 4/18/13

Second: Ray Smith passed, as written

Maria and Minabell abstained, because they were not present at the last meeting.

4. ANY QUESTIONS ON BILLS PAID: there were no questions regarding the bills.

5. MONTHLY REPORTS; APR.-JUN. 2013: there were no questions regarding the monthly reports.

6. ELECTION OF OFFICERS: this portion of the agenda is a duplicate.

7. CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN: Sandy told the commission that we have been trying to get a new generator for a while. Our current generator is 25-26 years old, and the company that we use to service the generator is suggesting that we purchase a new one. Maria asked if we have looked into getting a grant? She also suggested calling the SAU 21 building and speaking with Nancy Tuttle about getting a copy of the grant that the high school applied for. Sandy explained that the gym runs through a temporary generator at the moment so the outage would be the same and we would only need one that is the same size as our current generator.

Sandy told the commission that the Friends of Recreation-Seabrook (F.O.R.S) asked if there was anything that we needed. Sandy let them know that we were in need of a Reditiller. She explained that it would be useful for us to have our own here at the center so we can keep the playground sand softer and safer.

Sandy explained that the center will need to replace the skylights in the building, as they are not glass and they have started to disintegrate. She also expressed that she would like to add granite curbing to the parking lot because they last longer. As of right now the plows have ruined the existing curbs.

Maria added that the brick walk way is in need of repair. Sandy let Maria know that we have someone looking at it now and it will be out of this year's budget.

8. PLAYGROUND GRANT: Sandy let the commission know that in April we were accepted into the Playful City Program, which made us eligible for the KaBOOM grant. We received word that we were granted \$15,000.00 with the stipulation that we had to match it with \$9,000.00 to be raised by the town. There were over 600 applicants and 215 were awarded with money. Now we need to start going to businesses and having a booth at Old Home Day/ We are planning to start with Governor Weare park but still try to work on Veterans' Memorial park. If we cannot raise the \$9,000.00 then the grant would be forfeited. We are hoping to raise more than the necessary amount, but the \$9,000.00 is what is needed.

9. PROGRAMS:

- a. SUMMER PROGRAMS-** Sandy told the commission that we took the 8th graders out of the Neptune's group and made them Leaders in Training. As for staff we have removed the Counselors in training role and made it into two levels of counselors; counselor 1 & 2. In the after camp program we have 14 registered. Also new this year we have made it mandatory that anyone staying for open areas once camp has ended, they will need to go to gym 1 from 3-3:30pm to cut back on any pick up time confusion.

The golf program has 14 golfers. The program is on Tuesdays and we drive 12 of them to Breakfast Hill Golf Course, and 2 of the golfers meet us there. The High school pickup basketball program is not working out for us; we are not getting anyone to come in. Also the high school volleyball program will be joining us for three weeks, one night a week. This program has not begun yet.

This summer we have had the food bank from Portsmouth come in on Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 3-5pm. The set up in the kitchen and anyone who is eligible for low income is able to come in and get free produce. Also on Tuesdays and Fridays we have volunteers from the program come in and run cooking programs with some of the campers.

- b. FALL SPORTS-** our registration period has begun and people are coming in slowly. As of right now we do not have anyone signed up for football. Patrick has been talking with the Little Warriors program and tried to come up with a solution of: any child 9 year of age and older would go to their football program and anyone 8 years of age and younger would come here for our football program.
- c. WRESTLING PROGRAM-** the wrestling program is being held on Monday and Thursday nights. We have about 38 children signed up for the program.
- d. SUMMER CAMP REGISTRATION-** As of now we have 162 different campers at the summer camp program.

10. SPECIAL EVENTS:

- a. Old Home Day-** We will be having a lot of the same vendors as last year. Lyndsey and Patrick have shifted the field events to be later and the stage events earlier in the day, this way families are not missing out on any events. Also the Memorial Day float and the Pageant presentations will be earlier in the day. As of right now all of the pageants are full with the exception of the Miss Seabrook pageant which only has 2 contestants. Maria added that the Commission appreciates everything that the staff does in relation with Old Home Day.

11. COMMUNITY CENTER:

a. BUILDING-

- I. **Continue Mold Remediation-** Certrex was the only bid that we received for the mold remediation. The remediation for the game room and the back hallway (where the roller skates are) will begin on 7/25/13. We will be assigning new exits for that area. The main exit will still be out the front door. We will have to give a key to one of the workers from Certrex that way they can stay later in the day and come in on the weekends.
- II. **Tennis Court Repairs-** this project may be postponed due to the tree issues. It will cost \$4,500.00 to remove all the trees around the tennis courts. We have already spent that much due to the damage Hurricane Sandy left us.
- III. **Parking Lot repairs-** the parking lot has been started they are working on patching up the cracks at this point.

***Maria Brown left the meeting at 8pm.**

- b. **MAINTENANCE WEEK-** we may have to extend our maintenance weeks an additional week due to the mold remediation.

12. REVOLVING ACCOUNT PROGRAM ADDITIONS: Sandy told the commission that the revolving account will be larger than before; we will need to add wrestling to the revolving account in order to raise enough money to sustain the program. They will need to start charging a fee if they would like to pay an instructor. The dog track donated \$500.00 which is what is being used as of right now to pay the instructor for the summer. Winter is out for the wrestling program due to lack of space in the building. Sandy also said that we will be adding the shooting range into the revolving account because they are selling t-shirts and started fundraising. There were people running the shooting range charging a mandatory \$2.00 donation. Morgan O'Connor will be volunteering by doing the books for the shooting range. Don Felch asked her to work with the recreation office to do the books and accounts. We will be helping both groups start their accounts.

13. FACILITY RENTALS: We have had 3 facility requests: High School Volleyball, Food Pantry, and Seabrook Rail Trail.

14. Other: Sandy is looking into whether or not seasonal camp grounds and Meadow Stone are considered town residents. The Selectmen told Sandy to keep doing what we are doing, by letting year round residents being considered for the resident price for SRD ID's. The Town Manager, Selectmen, the Town Clerk, and Sandy will all meet to decide whether they will be considered a resident or not.

The Lions and F.O.R.S. are giving money to the Recreation Department to replace the spinning toy in the playground.

Next Meeting- Thursday, October 17, 2013 at 7:00pm-

Meeting adjourned at 8:40 PM.

Respectfully Submitted

Kelly M. McDonald