

# Town of Stratham



## Stratham Recreation Commission

### Meeting Minutes

May 18, 2016

In Attendance: Tracy Abbott, Pam Dziama, Frank LaSorsa, Joe Lovejoy, April Mason, Jeff Simeone

Absent: Chris Cavaretta

Special Guest: Seth Hickey, Parks & Recreation Director

The meeting was called to order at 7:40pm.

#### Meeting Minutes

- The March 17, 2016 Minutes were reviewed and discussed. **Frank made a motion to accept the Minutes as submitted, April seconded, all were in favor. MOTION APPROVED.**

#### General Budget

Reviewed the General Budget as of March 30, 2016.

#### Revolving Account

Seth reported that both the Baseball & Softball programs have expenses which aren't reflected on this version of the Revolving Account; Seth commented on the Donations line item and said that it's a little higher due to the banners now at Stratham Hill Park.

#### Sports Boards

-Basketball – Seth reported that the Basketball Board is officially under new leadership. A special Thank You goes out to Nancy Pafford for all the time and hard work that she has invested in the program over the years.

#### Stevens

Seth stated that the tennis courts are being rented out again this year for lessons; there is a new entrance garden to the Park and the field lining continues to go well; Seth reported that there's been a banner request for the Park, (3) for \$300/year/banner, and this request will be presented to the Board of Selectmen soon. Frank complimented the new sheds at Stevens Park which have recently been installed.

### Stratham Hill Park

Seth announced that Stone Oven Catering starts at Stratham Hill Park tomorrow night; the Thursday night Trail Series has averaged 40 runners per week; Seth reported that Timberland had approximately 90 volunteers who came to the Park and helped work on (3) bridges and helped with trail work on the Short property; Seth stated that there is some underground PVC water piping which is leaking and he will work with the Stratham Hill Park Association to come up with a solution; Seth mentioned that the Basketball courts were resurfaced recently and the new surface is already starting to fail. Seth did say it is covered under warranty and it will be repaired.

### Administrative

- Seth reported that the new Rec Software training happened 2 weeks ago and he is aiming for Soccer to be the first program to use the new program.
- There will be a community trip to Salem, MA at the end of June.
- We will be sponsoring a Mountain Bike series this Fall at Stratham Hill Park.
- Family Shows will still be held on Fridays, most of them at Stratham Hill Park.
- June 22<sup>nd</sup> will be our next Co-Op Sports Board Meeting.

**Jeff made a motion to adjourn @ 8:26 pm, Frank seconded, all were in favor. MOTION APPROVED.**

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, June 15, 2016 @ 7:30pm at the Municipal Center.