

Town of Stratham



Stratham Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes

October 12, 2003

- I. At 7pm Kate Dardinski opened the meeting.
- II. Members in attendance- Kate Dardinski, Brent Scott, Rebecca Waltz, Jessie Hook
Guests: Seth Hickey Parks and Rec Director, Paul Deschaine, Rick Dolce, Jay Flagg
Absent: Allison Knab and Ryan Guerette
- III. Consideration of Minutes from previous meetings-no minutes were reviewed
- IV. Treasurer's Report-Reviewed spreadsheet provided by Ryan and updated Rec Revolving balance from Seth.
- V. Report of the Stratham Parks & Rec Director
Senior programing- current programing going well, most classes full.
Trip to North Shore Music Hall sold out quickly, will be borrowing van from North Hampton Recreation Dept. for transportation. Zach will be driving.
Youth Sports- Basketball registration opened. Soccer is going well; last day is Oct 29th.
It would be beneficial to have sports boards attend a Recreation Commission meeting to review budgets and plan for seasons.
TMAC-meeting next week, new signage going up next week, Seth working on fall projects
Stratham Hill Park- no long term maintenance plan for pump track at this time. Seth is working with Hillside and public works to begin field work in preparation of spring 2024 baseball season.
Stevens Park-Test Pits need to be conducted. Scheduling challenges for court space. Looking into creation of Pickle Ball Committee to assist with management of program.
Programing- Speaking with Timbernook and White Pine to provide Wilderness Education Programs at SHP.
Food trucks- Final night was Oct 12. Vendors are already looking to next year.
Winter Programing- Pats Peak Ski program sold out. 100 kids, 7-12th graders from SAU 16, currently have a waitlist. Registration for McIntyre ski program will open end of month for kids in k-6th grade.
Recreation Department Staff- Diane Smith; will be starting Nov 1st. Welcome event for her on Nov 3rd at the weekly coffee social 9-10 am.

Zach Cherry attended a driving workshop in October and will be doing an online training as well in order to drive participants to Recreation sponsored events.

Transportation-Seth will be meeting with Town Legal counsel and David Moore to review questions about transportation, and look at what new participant waivers would look like.

VI. Old Business

Summer Camps 2024 Registration- Discussed having a draft summer camp registration built to be reviewed/tested prior to opening of registration. Seth to reach out to recdesk contact.

VII. New Business

Baseball sports board- Rick Dolce gave baseball update. They are asking for existing mounds to be replaced with moveable mounds to meet Cal Ripken requirements.

Rec Commission asked to have at least one member of baseball board attend Dec 12th meeting to review budget for baseball and further needs.

Stratham Energy Commission-Paul Deschaine spoke about Stratham Community Power and the Special Town Meeting to be held on Thursday October 26 at 7pm at Stratham Memorial School. Soccer Survey-review and send feedback to Rebecca so it can be finalized by end of next week.

At 8:57 meeting was adjourned.