

St. George Parks and Recreation Committee
Monthly Meeting Minutes
August 24, 2020

Meeting Called to Order: 6:00

Attendance: Ben, Jaime, Gary, Bryan, Ryan (Meghan and Casey via Zoom)
(Craig, Summer absent)

Approval of Minutes: Casey motions to approve minutes as written, Bryan seconds, all approved.

Agenda Adjustments: Elect officers after approval of minutes

Public Comment: None

Old Business

1. Seniors Program Report

August cook-out did have a big turn-out. Ben will go back to home deliveries in Sept. They are taking a cruise on Sept 9.

2. Financial report

Budget was passed at the town meeting.

3. Scoreboard update

Tim Polky has asked Jimmy Kalloch to put up the scoreboard, but he hasn't looked at the specs yet. If it isn't installed by October, Ben will put it in storage.

4. Facilities

Ben has set up a 4-year maintenance rotation with the sports fields, over and above what Ben can do. This will take place in the fall.

-The pitcher's mound will be fixed and the infield will be re-cut/shaped this fall.

Tennis courts will be resurfaced in September. It hasn't been done in 6 years.

Ben is looking for a fence company (Allen Farm Fence from Hamden) to update fence posts on the tennis courts, backstop on Little League field, places where the fence is leaning and needs to be reinforced, and the backstop on the big field needs to be fixed. (This will come out of the ballfield maintenance in the Rec budget.)

5. Summer Programming Review

Very little participation, but Ben would do it again. Low participation may have been due to the extreme heat on many of the nights.

Hiking, home-run derby, and softball game

New Business

1. Election of Officers:

Welcome to Ryan!

Bryan motions for Casey to remain treasurer and Jaime to remain secretary; Gary seconds; all in favor. Jaime motions for Meghan to continue as Vice President; Ryan seconds; all in favor. We will wait to elect the President until all members are here.

2. Fall Programming

The area Rec directors met in July to work on a “what if” series of steps. They decided they needed to align with schools. At this point, the St George School is not having a regular season due to the fact that all but 3 schools had opted out of the Busline League. Both programs will operate on an intramural basis: school during the week; Rec on Saturdays. Ben will provide skills practice and scrimmaging.

9:00-10:00 K-2

10:30-11:30 3-4

12:00-1:00 5-6

Ben has created a pre-screening form for parents to fill out. Parents will have to wear masks. No throwing the ball in. Kids won't congregate on the bench; each player will have their own station (cone) to keep their water and to take a break. Ben will have time to clean the soccer balls between sessions. He is going to line a space with the grade $\frac{3}{4}$ nets and take out the smaller goals for the K-2.

Ben will send out a weekly update to let parents know what to expect and to seek volunteers for each group.

Discussion of outdoor basketball this fall (3:3, multiple teams that can rotate in quickly; while kids are waiting their turn, they can practice drills in the parking lot). It would be good to offer because it is not likely we will be able to use the gym this year. Is there a possibility that we reserve time at the Rockland Rec or the Mac in Warren? We will discuss this more at the September meeting.

This year's meeting dates: 9/14, 10/19, 11/16, 12/14, 1/11, 2/8, 3/15, 4/12, 6/14, 7/12

Other Business

1. Executive Session: none needed
2. Next Meeting: September 14 at 6:00
3. Boosters Discussions: none needed

Adjournment: Jaime motions to adjourn; Gary seconds; All in favor: 6:44