

St. George Parks and Recreation Committee
Monthly Meeting Minutes
September 9, 2019

Meeting Called to Order: 6:05

Attendance: Ben, Meghan, Missy, Summer, Jaime, Bryan, Craig
Gary (absent), Casey (absent)

Approval of Minutes/Treasurer's Report: Missy motions to approve minutes, Summer seconds, all approved.

Agenda Adjustments:

Elect officers, report out about architect discussion, approve coaches for fall

Public Comment: none

Election of Officers:

Missy nominates Jaime as secretary; Bryan seconds; all in favor

Missy motions to defer the vote for Treasurer until she is in attendance; Bryan seconds; all in favor.

Summer motions Missy for co-Chair, Craig seconds; all in favor.

Missy nominates Meghan as co-Chair, Craig seconds; all in favor.

Old Business

1. Seniors Program Report:

Fort Knox Observatory and Maritime Museum in Searsport; 26 in attendance on August 6; very successful.

First luncheon is 9/10; tacos and fajitas; Kurt Gentlen will be presenting;

Wednesday's Harbor Cruise has been moved until 9/18 due to weather. 63 are signed up (sold out!)

Acadia trip on 10/2 (sign-up just opened)

2. Financial report

July and August: everything is in order

3. St George Days Debrief

Road Race: 37 runners, many were walk-ups; Successful turn-out this year!

Missy suggests that we have a walker trail the end to make sure we don't lose any runners, and to make sure the water table can clean up.

Dunk Tank: it seems like it needs some work before next year; Craig said he will work on it to make sure it's sensitive enough;

The heat seemed to have driven a lot of people off this year, however we did pretty well overall; just slightly less than last year. (\$175)

Could we start earlier next year? 11:30?

Is it possible to allow a middle schooler to participate?

Corn Hole:

Lots of fun! Missy and Gary did a great job setting up; it was super hot, but there were easy-ups over the bleachers and over the picnic table.

Ben cooked on the grill to offer lunch for the participants.

T-Shirt sales: successful!

4. Facilities:

We had a few issues at Collins Park this summer, ranging from minor to major. Ben has been in contact with the Sheriff's Department.

The Merry-Go-Round supports got broken (possibly due to too much weight). Randy Elwell welded it back together. Steve Jarrett helped Ben put it back together.

The following day, the tetherball was broken. Previously, picnic tables and benches were overturned.

Ben would like to have the Dunk Tank and the Merry-go-Round shrink-wrapped for the winter.

Big Field update: Rotten bleachers have been replaced with aluminum. Roof repair on the dugout will begin soon. Craig has a generator, compressor, and nails to donate to help make the process quicker.

If we are sure to have a middle-level baseball team, we will need to make some improvements on the field. (update mound, recut baselines)

Tennis Courts: surface cracks are starting to increase; Ben spoke to Vermont Tennis to fix it in the spring of 2021, but was encouraged to fix it sooner (Fall 2020). They gave him an estimate, but he is waiting to hear from another company before making any commitments. The cost of fixing the court will not come out of our budget, but out of a special tennis court maintenance fund. Pickleball lines will be added to one of the courts at this time. Vermont Tennis also has a contraption that will make it so we can install boards on the court, but can be taken down at the end of the season.

Missy and Jaime shared with the committee that Oak Point Architects met with the school community a couple weeks ago. Ben, Jaime, and Missy met with them on behalf of the Rec Department. Information from our summer surveys were shared with them.

New Business

1. Youth Soccer

5/6 boys and girls 17 for a co-ed team, coached by Summer Ward and Amy Palmer; practice on Wednesday and Friday, games on Saturday 4:00 with the occasional week night game. Game schedule should be out on Wednesday. Uniforms should be ready Friday.

Sponsored by JD Miller

3/4 boys and girls: 2 teams of 8; Ben Falla and Josh McPhail; Roni Stewart and David Black (hopefully)

Sponsored by Bean Maine Lobster

Games on Saturdays at 10:00, practices Thursday after school

1/2 boys and girls: 3 teams of 8! Dan and Kristen Falla, Jesse Bartke; Craig and Jesse Wilgus, Heather Weeks; Keith Mann, Malia Chasteen, and Melvin Oldham.

Games on Saturdays at 8:30 starting the 21st, practices on Monday after school.

Sponsored by Oryx Worx

Missy motions to accept the coaching line-up. Bryan seconds; all in favor.

2. Brewery Tour

Sunday, September 22 1-5, visiting 3 breweries. \$30

Currently only 3 people signed up. Should we wait another week before cancelling? Is the price too high? We will set the deadline for Monday, September 16. If this doesn't work out, we could reschedule for 11/10 (Patriots by-week; are breweries still open?)

3. Future Trips

Ben asked if Boosters would like to pay for the bus for an upcoming trip.

Ben will look into Celtic tickets/dates and bus price. People like to buy them for Christmas gifts, so we would like to get this info out ASAP.

4. 2019-2020 Goals

Next month's meeting: Ben will bring the goals that we want to continue from last year.

This year's meeting dates: 10/14, 11/3, 12/9, 1/13, 2/3, 3/9, 4/13, 6/15, 7/13

Summer motions to approve the dates, Meghan seconds; all in favor.

Other Business

1. Executive Session: none needed
2. Next Meeting: Monday, October 14
3. Boosters Discussions

Adjournment: 7:33