

St. George Parks and Recreation Committee
Monthly Meeting Minutes
Monday, March 8, 2021

Meeting Called to Order: 6:01 (via Zoom)

Attendance: Ben, Summer, Jaime, Bryan, Ryan, Meghan
(Craig, Cassie, Gary absent)

Approval of Minutes: Summer motions to approve minutes, Bryan seconds, all approved.

Agenda Adjustments: Approve Farm League coaches (other business)

Public Comment: None

Old Business

1. Seniors Program Report

Delivering 34 lunches tomorrow (corn chowder). Met with Monhegan Boat about offering a couple summer rides for Seniors (July and September). Also looking into a tour of the Transportation Museum. We are trying to avoid busses this summer. Hopefully by November, we can do the Senior shopping trip.

2. Financial report

Ben sent the report. The utilities line shows a higher percentage than usual at this time of year, and that is because this line was used for some of the scoreboard installation. Budget has been approved.

3. Skating Rink

A huge success this year. Many people used it often. Hoping to get it more level next year and to start with less water. Ben is in the process of taking it apart. He does not need help putting the rink away because he is doing it little by little. He is planning on getting a new inner-liner for next year.

4. Ski Club

Unbelievable numbers this year! 8 weeks (most weeks ever offered!): 21 attended the first week; there was one week with a high of 36, all the rest of the weeks had numbers between 21-32.

Thank you to the Camden Snow Bowl for making it work this year. Thank you to Randall Thisell for being the ski leader.

5. Facilities

-Collins Park: Craig is working on the merry-go-round. It will be in by Memorial Day. Ben would like to post signs that state "for ages 5-12." He is thinking about having a Community Meeting to discuss the importance of taking care of the park.

-Tennis and Pickleball courts will be open mid-April.

-Big ball fields--- there are three projects that need to be addressed:

--third base dugout roof needs to be replaced. It is a small roof and Ben is hoping to get it done before next winter.

--Concession Stand needs to be painted.

--The playground is sinking and needs to be leveled. Possibly the front needs to be reset.

--What is our priority?

Field Day: Saturday, April 24....rain date 5/1. We can discuss our priority list at our next meeting.

-Landing Field: all looks good

-Pickleball court at the school will be open in May.

New Business

1. Little League updates/discussion

Season from mid-May to end of June. Registration will go until May 1.

St. George families can sign their children up through Oceanside Little League or through the Rec website. We will have roster flexibility with our Little League this year.

Current numbers signed up:

15 LL boys; 5 LL girls; 13 Farm League baseball; 5 Farm League softball; 7 Tball

Ben will be zooming into the different classrooms at school to encourage kids to sign up.

We need at least 5 more on each of the softball teams.

Coaches: Bryan Morse and Ben Falla have volunteered to coach Farm League baseball.

We are in need of volunteers for all the other teams.

Clinics: Ben will be offering clinics between now and the opening of Spring sports. For now, the fields are not ready, so this will be taking place on the basketball courts at school. The clinic will be from 3:30-4:30. Students will have to wear masks.

2. Summer Clinics Discussion

Ben is hoping to have data from the kids by our next meeting and then this committee can make the final decision. Dates are still under consideration and dependent on if we can get instructors.

Students will fill out a survey at school, choosing their top 3 choices for clinics.

"Please identify those clinics that you would be interested in participating in during the summer of 2021. Those activities that have the most interest will be part of a series of half day clinics to be offered here in St. George Tuesday-Thursday from either 9-11:30 or 12:30-3:00. Clinics will be open to students entering grades 3-6 in September, 2021. All clinics this year will be held outside. There will be a fee for each clinic. All fees go to help with the cost of running the clinics, including T shirts for all participants. Thank you for your participation in our survey. The results will be made public after April vacation and the clinic offerings will be advertised beginning in May. Please return your survey by Friday, March 26, 2021."

3. Courts opening

See "Old Business."

4. Summer programming discussion

Are there programs that we would like to see the Rec Department offer, we will discuss this at the next meeting? For example, cornhole, hiking, etc.

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: Monday, April 12, 2021
3. Boosters Discussions: none needed

Adjournment: Ryan motions to adjourn; Meghan seconds; All in favor: 6:29 adjourned