

RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES Monday, June 6, 2022, 6:00 p.m. The Wave Community Center At Rye Congregational Church 580 Washington Road, Rye, NH

In attendance: Steve King, Cory Belden, Dyana Martin, Marlene Veloso, Joe Persechino, Brett Mulvey

The meeting was called to order by Cory at 6:15pm

- The group recited the Pledge of Allegiance and reviewed the previous meeting minutes from the March and April Meetings that Dyana had taken. She stated that she would be the prior meeting minutes with her for the following meeting.
- Guests Christian Derderian and his wife Julie Derderian had arrived at the meeting, so Cory stated to allow them to speak about their potential project and problem with LL for next year. They basically state that they would be losing a lot of baseball players next year as they were moving to a higher age bracket. So the thought was to either, fold into the league with Portsmouth or move the infield back and possibly the outfield, so the older age group of children could be allowed to play on that ballfield again and keep the league going in Rye. There was a lot of discussion about moving the outfield fence and the Commission members stated that they would get back to Rye LL and let them know their decision.

The group went back to Old Business:

- Dyana stated that she had talked to Becky Bergeron and that Becky had told her that we should do absolutely nothing different than originally done with the grass clippings as the Town Selectboard was not going to pay for the clippings to be removed. The group agreed that that would be ok to do.
- Dyana then brought up a few items from the Rye LL that the Little League that they had asked her about. Specifically payment for the new window and stairs in the Scorers Shack, the gates to the lower field, and the Eagle Scout staircase to the lower field and the sprinkler system, that needed to be repaired. Dyana stated that she had the bills from all of them from Christian and wanted to discuss what should be paid for by the Recreation Department. After much discussion it was decided that the Rec should be responsible for paying for the sprinkler system as it never got blown out in the winter by the rec and it burst. However, the rest of the items has been taken care of traditionally by the LL so there was a letter that Steve was going to craft that was to come from the Rec Commission stating the tradition of the rec and LL and what we

were going to pay for and what we were not going to pay for. Dyana stated that she would find out how to pay for the sprinkler system through Becky as it had already been paid for by LL to Perry Plumbing.

- Dyana asked the group if there were any other suggestions for Commission members, but no one had found anyone yet. Dyana stated that she had asked a person that she knew from Concord that lives in Rye now and has for many years- his name was Shawn Joyce. But he had stated that he was not interested at this time.
- Dyana moved on to the Wave Programming for the summer and stated that she was attempting to do 2 weeks of camp this summer for that age group to introduce them to the Wave. It was going to be called Wave Hello to Summer Camp and would be run by Kieryn Hewitt.
- Dyana recapped the Memorial Day event and stated how well it went that there were many people that attended and that the children did a lovely job on the poems and the posters that they made and that hopefully next year they will be able to have the JR High Band involved again in the event.
- Dyana then talked about he plans for the July 4th Celebration -she mentioned the Big Bad Food Truck, The Ice Cream Truck, The Balloon Lady and the carnival games. She also talked about the Band- Sum x 4 and the fireworks at 9:00pm.

New Business:

• Summer Programming - Dyana talked about the summer events and programs and asked for help in spreading the word for camps. All agreed to help.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30pm.