

Recreation Advisory Committee

Minutes of the meeting held JUNE 11, 2013--- Approved 10/1/13

Present?

Berben	Yes	Quackenboss	yes
Byles	yes	DeBaecke	yes
Doherty	yes		
Fletcher	yes		
Mannuccia	yes		
Morrow	yes		
Tartaglia	yes		

7:40 the meeting was called to order. The minutes of the prior meeting were accepted by a unanimous vote after a motion from John & Second from Greg.

Commissioners Reports:

Community Events: (Darlene) Movie Night will be 9/6 at dusk and pictures at 5:30, Country Fair 9/21, Blood Drive 8/6.

Fireworks are a possibility for a mid-price 20 minute show.

The Memorial Day parade went off very well, she has notes and a headcount for food as well as ideas for next year. Question was raised if it is a Township budget item or a Rec item, its history is unclear. But Bill said he would find out.

Baseball/Softball: John reported all games are finished at NorthHanover. This summer we could fix things up a little. Leave the batting cage net up as previously. 6/18 will be the end of the season celebration. Community service volunteers could help run games. A rain message will be added to the end-of-season email with a reminder to return equipment and uniforms.

Basketball: no report.

Soccer: Twan reported all the corners have been located and will be ready for 8/3. He has 10 garbage recycling cans (Don had asked for 20). Rec would be willing to buy post support system to keep them from moving.

Fall Clean up will be 8/3 a list of ideas requested from Twan, who made a verbal list. Darlene suggested field seating for children not yet on the field. Uniforms are all in, and the bill is paid.

Fields/Facilities: Greg called Herdt and Mid-Jersey Fence Man, Frank Capra Fencing for ideas and estimates, there are 750 linear feet of fence.

Football and Cheerleading registration is open and has been added to the NHT website.

Registration- The online service NBIAA uses Sportsignup, our account is now active on a trial basis. We will move over to this for online or download paper forms and deliver them it will not prohibit anyone from registering.

A flat fee per participant to register we get charged the fee as we add people to the system. It creates a database for all participants.

Uniform deposit is not addressed. They asked Twan to say what we need/want.

Discussion: People don't have to pay on line, checks can be mailed. If you register online, you pay on the spot. With this program, on the administrative side, if they say "pay by check" they must send a check with a stub and a number. The commissioners want payment received by the posted registration deadline. The administrator for the system has to enter that the check people paid, and then we will pay the record fee. An email announcement will be sent out when it is up and ready with a flyer through the schools and on the North Hanover website. It will be accessible by a link from the North Hanover Recreation website. Joe volunteered to do the flyer with a screen shot.

Motion: Twan- Made a motion "to use the Sportsignup system starting with soccer 2013. Second by Joe, All ayes.

A few notes about the system:

The boundary line for North Hanover is on Provinceline Road, these people must specify Province Line Road as must the people on Jones Mill Rd. Uniform deposits cannot yet be tracked on Sportsignup. For a \$65 charge, the customer gets a special code later on the website.

The website will be useful for email. They will post an explanation of the charges for registration, uniform deposit, how to get a credit, out of town, non-residents recognized by google township boundary surcharge.

Do we want to charge out of town people the same? No

Do we want to accept into our program for a fee and treat them as North Hanover residents? Discussion: We would want the cost for the sport per player covered, the average cost per sport spreadsheet analysis shows we charge \$30 but it costs \$75

Motion: by Twan: We should charge a non-resident fee for participation in North Hanover sports recreation, and it should not be a fee subsidized by the township. Second Daren Doherty. All ayes.

Motion: by Ron DeBaecke: The non-resident registration fee should be \$40 greater than the cost per player for the sport. Second: Twan Discussion: 7 ayes, 1 no

A best effort should be made to be fair to township taxpayers to cover the true average cost per player. Agreed.

Our late fee is \$25, per township ordinance. The website will reflect the late fee and will state when it is applicable. Sportsignup will include the late fee during the late fee period. After the cut-off date of registration, the late registrant may be placed on a team if there is a need for additional players.

The commissioners debated whether or not to entertain an increase in the registration fee from \$30. It was tabled to be considered before baseball 2014. Darren asked if we must exhaust the budget every year.

Bill Quackenboss said that usually at the budget meetings there are citizens who question why the recreation budget is "so high", maybe a closer look needs to be made. And the commissioners should consider being proactive rather than reactive.

Darren observed that the rec budget is the same as it has been for years, but maybe we should apply different uses from the Trust Account.

Baseball is \$150 per player, and still there was some budget left, what is the rationale to change it. If the money is there, it is there to be used for the sport.

There were no other comments.

There were no members of the public present. The meeting was brought to a close. Agreed by John, Twan and Ron

Respectfully submitted,
Nancylu Mannuccia