Lancaster Recreation Committee Meeting Minutes 10/18/16

Attendees:

- Recreation Director: Christa Duprey
- Recreation Committee Members: Johnna Doyle, Joe Kennedy, Winn Clark, Ted Manning, Jeanne Blauner, and Katie O'Riorden
- Thayer Subcommittee Member: Elizabeth Cahill

Meeting Agenda:

- Public Comment Period
- Scheduled Appearances and Public Hearing
- Treasurer's Report
- Approval of Meeting Minutes
- Committee Updates
 - o Walk Update
 - Sports Updates
 - Field Updates
 - Web Presence Discussion
 - By-laws and next steps with Christa Duprey
- New Business

Meeting Summary:

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm

Public Comment: No public comment

Scheduled Appearances: None

Review and Approve Meeting Minutes:

- Johnna makes a motion to approve meeting minutes from September, Winn seconds. Unanimously approved.
- Katie is to submit meeting minutes from September.

Walk Update:

- Jeanne reviews the 2016 walks.
- Discuss upcoming walks from November March 2017.
- Discuss new ideas for walks: Halloween walk/haunted woods walk, mushroom walk.
- Christa suggests the idea of a hiking club- nominal donation fee to participate.
- Jeanne and Christa will work together to organize upcoming trails.
- Jeanne to share contact information with Christa.

- Tentative Winterfest Date: February 4, 2017.
- Jeanne to contact Peter Kristoff about possible nature slideshow at the library.

Sports Update:

- Men's League signup is online.
 - o Currently, five members are signed up.
 - Will need to advertise league signups if not enough participation; need
 25 members.
- Youth basketball registration is closed. Need to open for one late registration.

Field Update:

- Elizabeth updates the committee and Christa on the status of Thayer Campus.
 - The committee has replaced the soccer field with a utility field.
 Placement of field has been moved slightly to allow for the planting of more trees.
 - Wellness Station has been put in place of pump track.
 - Splash pad is no longer part of the plan. The size of the playground has been increased.
 - Dave LaPointe to present the plan to the Planning Board on Monday, October 24.
 - Still need to consider lighting of the park.
 - Discussion on field layout and design. Jeanne asks for clarification of the space adjacent to Memorial School. Area has yet to be fully defined. Johnna will provide overall design of the field and current details after Monday's meeting.
 - Christa asks for an update on the Thayer Campus Committee.
 Elizabeth shares that there are five members that make decisions on Thayer Campus design. Thayer Field Foundation is comprised of five members that have no input on design, but raise funds for the field.
- Ice Rink
 - High quality liner from NiceRink: \$1140
 - o Kick boards: \$244
 - Need to determine costs of metal signage and shipping costs. Winn to provide at next meeting.
 - o Rink will be maintained by Winn and volunteers.
 - o Parking lot and field both need maintenance.
 - Johnna asks Winn to put together a field maintenance list. Will send to Christa to send to DPW.

New Items:

 Christa is starting to look at ways to increase revenue to use on future programming.

- Johnna suggests that Christa find out all programming that is offered through various groups in town- library, community center, etc.
- Discuss sending out a survey to identify needs/wants of the town.
- Christa to determine best means for distributing survey.
- Christa asks that Johnna provide school contacts.
- Discuss presence on Facebook; now "Lancaster Recreation."
- Will continue to promote events through Facebook.
- Will not be providing glow sticks for the Halloween on the Green event this year.

Treasurer's Report:

- Did not address during meeting.
- Revolving account as of 10/13/16: \$55,638.57

Meeting Adjourned: Johnna makes a motion to adjourn; Winn seconds. Meeting adjourned at 9:16 pm.

Next meeting date is November 1, 7:00pm.