

# TOWN OF HIGHGATE

## Parks and Recreation APPROVED MINUTES November 3, 2015

### I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Ty Choiniere at 6:00 pm.

#### Present at meeting:

- **Parks and Recreation Board Members:** Ty Choiniere, Danielle Pothier, Karen Gagne Fortin
- **Guests:** Krissy Tatro, Shelley Laroche

### II. AGENDA

#### **A. Public Comments**

No public comments.

#### **B. Treasurer's Report**

Shelley reviewed the Parks and Recreation Budget Status report. For soccer, expenses were \$1,752.93 with \$1,855.00 for Revenue. Will need for Selectboard to clarify whether money not used during the fiscal year automatically goes into the general fund. Also, Parks and Recreation will need to present budget proposal to Selectboard in December.

#### **C. Old Business**

We had a great soccer season. Vanka is working on team pictures. For next year, due to number of participants and fields available, will need to investigate using t-ball fields in the fall as well as purchasing larger nets for better skill building. Goals and soccer balls will be stored in the shed. Other discussions regarding changes for next year include different color shirts and Danielle to investigate potential sponsors to cover some expenses.

Krissy is helping out with the coordination for the basketball program this year. Coaches have been established for many of the groups, with the exception of a 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> grade Boys coach needed. Krissy has started the discussion of setting up games with neighboring towns; she is waiting for a response back from Franklin and

Swanton. The plan is for practices to be held twice a week. Shirts with numbers on the back will need to be ordered.

No one has yet committed to joining the board. Will continue to look for additional members. Karen to place an ad in messenger.

Danielle to conduct Survey Monkey questionnaire for parents of soccer participants.

Danielle and Karen attended the Trunk or Treat at MVU which was a had a huge turnout and great exposure for Parks and Recreation.

Karen Gagne Fortin motioned to approve October 6<sup>th</sup> meeting minutes. Ty Choiniere seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

### **D. New Business**

RiseVT is now involved in the upgrade of the walking path and able to provide funds to have signage added (mile markers), Welcome sign, and inspirational quotes. They have also provided snow shoes which can be signed out at the Library.

There is interest in having open gym at the elementary school. Will need to investigate interest further and receive approval from school board.

Next Parks and Recreation meeting scheduled for December 1<sup>st</sup> at 6:00 pm at the Highgate Sports Arena.

### **III. ADJOURNMENT**

Motion made by Ty Choiniere to adjourn the meeting. Karen Gagne Fortin seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously at 7:40 pm.

Minutes typed and submitted by Danielle Pothier

Minutes approved by:

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