

Hinsdale Community Recreation Committee

Thursday, April 16, 2020

6:00 pm

Zoom conference (due to COVID-19 Social Distancing Guidelines)

Attendees:	Sean Leary, Chair; Amanda Sweetser- Vice chair, Ann Diorio- Treasurer, Karyn Hammond- Secretary, Bernie Rideout- Selectman, Sarah Hudon- Program Director, Gail Roberts, Maryanne O'Malley (HASP), Theresa Diorio, Kathryn Lynch- Hinsdale Beautification Committee, Sam Kilelee, Katie Leonard
Excused:	N/A
Others present:	Jill Collins

Minutes

Agenda item:	Acceptance of minutes from meeting 2/20/20	Presenter:	Sean Leary
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Discussion:

Motion made by Maryanne ; Seconded by Sam ; Passed

No meeting March 2020 d/t COVID-19 Pandemic. Zoom meeting this date.

Agenda item:	Treasurer's Report	Presenter:	N/A
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Discussion: Not reviewed at this meeting.

Agenda item:	Program Director Report	Presenter:	Sarah Hudon, Jill Collins
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Discussion:

Sarah reported the State of NH will be sending recommendations for summer camp; Sarah is presently planning as if camp will happen in some capacity.. Sarah has been communicating with Seth Deyo, Rec Director of Vernon, who is exploring virtual options as well. The hope is that camp will be open in some manner, within COVID restrictions.

Jill reported 6 interviewees/questionnaires out for day camp counselors. Jill stated that community losses thus far (due to the COVID-19 pandemic) include loss of revenues from Community Center rentals, etc, and that she has been communicating with the state re: projected losses.

Agenda item:	Beautification Committee/Farmers' Market	Presenter:	N/A
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Discussion: Not reviewed at this meeting.

Agenda item:	Girls on the Run/Heart & Sole	Presenter:	N/A
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Discussion: Not reviewed at this meeting.

Agenda item:	HASP	Presenter:	N/A
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Discussion: Not reviewed at this meeting.

Agenda item:	Fee Structure review	Presenter:	Sean Leary
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Discussion: Sean shared his screen reviewing the fee structures of programs, facilities. Sarah reported that she has consulted with parents, some of whom reported fees have restricted them from registering more than one child for rec sports. Other parents have reported that a concern is that registration fees are the same across the board while younger participants play less time, while older students participate in tournaments. Sarah proposed a tiered structure, such as an increase in \$10 for older children due to increased play time. Katie reported that she has consulted with Brett, who reported it typically costs \$12 per participant. Sarah reported that some parents have expressed interest in not receiving a shirt for each season for each child. Sarah reported that she has consulted with neighboring towns, including Chesterfield, whose nonresident fees are the same as our resident fees.

Katie reported that she concurs that younger sports participants typically meet less often and for less time. Kathryn agreed with this (due to lack of referees, redirection needed for younger participants, etc). All agreed.

Theresa reminded the committee that there had been some discussion regarding coach training and how this would work with volunteer coaches, who ideally would also have at least one child (of the coach) play free. Jill reported training would be free through Primex, the insurance agency for the town. Sam voiced concerns that some parent coaches may not recognize issues such as concussions. Kathryn suggested perhaps not advertising that children of coaches may play for free, but that a type of screening take place should some volunteers not be qualified/present a concern, etc. Sam inquired about the procedures of accepting registration fees in the event that particular person is not selected to coach. Jill suggested that person's money be refunded. Sean inquired regarding who typically selects coaching staff. Katie reported that the Seasonal Sports Director has been the one to contact her in the past. Sean suggested that Sam and Sarah meet to establish qualifications for coaching/coaching screening process. Sarah to check with Jill re: Primex trainings. Sam reviewed concerns about matters such as concussions. Katie mentioned that (potential coach) knowledge regarding issues such as heat stroke could be added as a checklist on the registration forms. Sam and Sean suggested that a selection committee/subcommittee be formed to assist with the coach selection process. It was decided that Katie, Sam, Sarah, and Brett would ideally comprise that subcommittee. Discussion followed. Sam will update Brett regarding the subcommittee process. The Committee agreed.

Sean inquired re: the \$10 early registration discount; fee structure reviewed. Sarah reviewed the proposed fee structure of \$30/\$35/\$40; Early reg discount to be \$5 since prices already lowered; if early registration fee applied, fee structure would be \$25/\$30/\$35. Sean reviewed family cap; Theresa suggested cap of \$65. Discussion ensued re: family cap and conditions of late registration.

Regarding cheer, the committee agreed that due to no referees needed for cheer and returning of uniforms, that cheer registration fees be lower than that of other sports. Kathryn suggested the same rate as PreK/K of \$30. The committee also agreed on an increase of \$5 for nonresident fees.

Sean reviewed Sam's previous suggestion of an early registration deadline of three weeks prior in order to facilitate the process. The Committee agreed.

Review of Summer Camp pricing. Review that Summer Camp should be for town residents only, with the option to review on a case-by-case basis as needed, such as when kids stay with grandparents for the summer, etc. Ann suggested that Tammy would have the best knowledge of these circumstances.

Sarah inquired re: prorating the summer camp fees due to the present COVID situation. Jill agreed that prorating the season should be an option, depending on what happens over the next few weeks.

Theresa inquired re: water aerobics rates and suggested a lower rate as reviewed at a previous meeting. The committee agreed; some water aerobics rates decreased from present \$5 to \$3. Reviewed previous meeting minutes re: day care

pass for the town pool. New rates determined of \$100 for resident day care and \$125 for nonresident day care. Discussion re: season passes in comparison to neighboring towns, and in light of present COVID situation and possible shortened season. The committee agreed that the rate for the Season Pass for an individual should be lowered to \$30/previous rate. The committee agreed upon a new rate of \$25 for Senior Pass as well as a new rate of \$60 for a nonresident pass. The committee agreed upon review of day camp rates, additional rates as reviewed through discussion. Sean will update all rate/pricing tables accordingly.

Sean raised the topic of pool concessions. Sarah has been researching prices and size options offered at the pool last year. Sarah proposed smaller- sized candy options (the pool had been selling movie-theater- sized boxes last year). Sarah reported that only one tote of candy ordered last year will not be expired for sale this season. Committee reviewed options such as Capital Candy, BJ's, Walmart. Jill voiced concerns re: use of BJ's d/t membership fees, gas reimbursement, etc, and with Walmart, history of availability of funds d/t invoice balances, etc. Sarah reported she has been in contact with Capital Candy and is interested in obtaining a full product list. Committee in agreement that items such as soda, large boxes of candy should not be sold at the concession stand. Committee discussed not selling soda during day camp hours or at all. Jill updated the committee and Sarah that Capital Candy does not have minimum order requirements. Committee in agreement with Sarah to contact Capital Candy to confirm availability of smaller-sized options and healthier choices, with Jill's approval. Jill directed Sarah to do so. Bernie raised the issue from last year regarding inventory, records, etc. Sarah will be tracking inventory, sales, and item selection. Jill reported that Sarah will be researching cash register options to track this as well.

The committee determined that Heritage Park rates will be the same as reviewed at the previous meeting. Community Center rental rates briefly reviewed; Sarah to formulate a proposal regarding the Community Center, and the Committee will review this at a future meeting.

Action items		Person responsible	Deadline
✓	Formulate proposal re: Millstream Community Center policies/fees	Sarah	as able
Agenda item:		Other information to come before the Committee	Presenter: Sarah

Discussion: Sarah updated the committee that the Community Center freezer died with Friendly Meals in it. Sarah contacted Dompier Electric to assess. Compressor was no longer working. Jill and Sarah to order repair of the compressor..

Action items		Person responsible	Deadline
✓	F/u re: Millstream Community Center freezer/appliance needs/repair	Jill, Sarah	asap
Agenda item:		Meeting Adjourned	8:05

Motion made by Ann; Seconded by Bernie; Passed

Next HCRC meeting: Thursday, May 28, 2020 (location, method to be determined closer to that time d/t COVID restrictions/precautions)
