

Northfield Recreation Commission
Meeting Minutes
December 20, 2017
5:30 pm

Town Hall

The meeting was called to order at 5:34 pm

Attendance: Theresa Tsipenyuk, Matt Sheridan, Robert Henry and Brian Winslow.

Guest: Michael Ray

Secretary: Bridget Hammond

Minutes:

Minutes were approved by all members present.

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Guest:

Michael Ray came to voice his disappointment in the Recreation Commission in how a bullying situation was handled. Mr. Ray stated he sent a letter to the Recreation Commission via email to the old email address last spring with concerns about children bullying teammates. Members present weren't aware of an email; Bridget doesn't remember an email but remembered Mr. Ray expressing concerns and ask a former Commission member to call Mr. Ray. Mr. Ray didn't receive a phone call and didn't follow up again until basketball registration night. Mr. Ray stated he completed a coaching application but wasn't considered and wanted to know why. The Commission didn't have the information as a former Commission member was in charge of coaching selection. Mr. Ray asked the Commission to review its coaching selection process as well as how to handle future bullying issues.

Bookkeeper's Report:

The Commission will request the budget as the past two years.

Basketball:

Theresa will take over basketball for the remainder of the season. Brian ordered two new hoops for the pre-school and kindergarten team and new balls.

Winter town trips and activities:

Tubing at Granite Gorge will be 2/19 from noon-2pm and tickets will be sold for \$10 each. UMass Men's Hockey Game will be 2/24 vs Providence at 7pm. Tickets will be sold for \$8 each.

Red Sox:

Bridget will look into 7/14, 15 and 29 for a trip to Fenway.

Spanish for Preschool Age Children:

Bridget will invite the Laurie to the next meeting; try to arrange for late winter.

Minutes: Minutes were approved by all members present with an amendment to the Bookkeeper's Report. South Mountain Lawn Care was paid \$1,720 from the Rec. General Account and \$499 from the Rec. Revolving Account.

Adult Fitness:

Going well, moved into the cafeteria for the winter.

Weight Room:

All going well, increase in participation.

Old Business:

N/A

Other:

Coaching applications will be reviewed by the whole Commission and voted on for each sport and team.

Theresa appointed Robert as the Recreation Representative to the CPC Committee.

Next meeting will be held January 10, 2018 at 7pm in the Northfield Town Hall.

The meeting adjourned at 7:15 pm.