Northfield Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes April 4, 2022 @ 7pm



1. Call to Order

- a. 7:00 by Joe Stacy
- b. Present: Commissioners: Joe Stacy (JS), Stacy Bond (SB), Bob Emberly (BE), Ed Basset (EB), Amy Neil (AN) Guests: Steve Stoia, Joan Stoia, David Kelly, Julia Blyth, Aaron Nelson, Joann McGee

2. Minutes:

- a. Tabled
- 3. Bookkeepers Report:
 - a. Lawn Care bid for elementary school
- 4. New Business:
 - Kiwanis Club- inquired about Rec Com interest in purchasing of Kiwanis park on School St.
 - Details: park is 6.25 acres with 1.25 developed acres including kitchen, barn w/ stage, pavilion w/ 60 person capacity, and bathrooms
 - ii. Park becoming a financial strain on Kiwanis Club
 - iii. Rec Com benefits: purchase of park would give Rec Com a viable facility to host Summer Playground and add another recreational space for town
 - Property does need many upgrades and repairs, PARC grant available to fund upgrades.
 - Motion by SB Recreation Commission to obtain more information on possible acquisition of Kiwanis Park. EB 2nd, vote unanimous.

Sports/Activities:

- Basketball: excellent turn out, SB reaching out to Mark Fortier on upgrading first aid kits in NES storage closet.
- b. Ball pump and netting invoice updates.
- c. Baseball:
 - Coaches: Stacy Bond and Bill Foote
 - ii. Contact Al Stone to help clean/prepare NES field

d. Tball:

- i. Possible coach: Laura Fries, more volunteers needed
- ii. AN suggested making TBall pK and K, move grades 1-2 to their own baseball teams- other towns are making this move and there are enough kids to field a full Northfield team.

e. Softball:

i. Coach: Mike Barry

- Discussed league rules and schedule; games are M & W Mike Barry to secure umpires.
- iii. Discussed field to be used for softball- NES not suitable for softball with grass infield, possible use of PVRSD middle school field. AN to follow up with Mike Barry to confirm what field softball will use.
- f. Adult Basketball:
 - i. Tabled
- g. Adult Fitness:
 - i. AN to follow up on previous emails
- h. Summer Playground:
 - i. Tabled
- 6. Officer Elections:
 - a. JS steps down as chair of comission
 - b. BE motions: SB to step in as new Chair. EB 2nds. Vote: unanimous.
 - c. SB Chair, BE Co-chair, EB treasurer, JS commissioner, 2 open seats.
- 7. Next Meeting:
 - a. May 4, 2022 @ 7pm
- 8. BE- Motion to Adjourn @8:50, SB 2nd, vote: Unanimous