

Agenda for New Ipswich Parks and Rec

January 26, 2017 7pm

-Fourth of July Committee- we are looking for members to form a committee to help raise funds and organize a fourth event. We are looking at July 8th in hopes to have a fun filled day ending with great fireworks at Memorial Field. Mindy spoke with Chief Lund and she said, as long as we are not in a high fire danger there should be no issues with the fire department. Mindy will follow up with the selectmen and we would like to get this under way ASAP. Mindy will contact some NH based fireworks companies for quotes and availability.

Some ideas were extending the pool hours for that evening and to have some bbq and sell some glow in the dark items. Maybe extend an invitation to vendors. Also, maybe a bounce house early for the kids to have something to do.

- Fishing Derby- The date set is May 20th at cemetery pond on Main St. Mindy will contact the sexton and the cemetery committee to approve the date. Mindy will also send in the proper paperwork to the state for the matching of purchased fish and get the derby permit. Mindy will also contact the fishery to set up purchase and delivery of fish. A port a potty will need to be set up for that weekend as well. We have a sponsor for our fishing derby and Mindy will contact Jo Marc to follow up on their donation. Mindy will also contact Heather Mahoney to ask permission to sell paper fish again at her store.

- Stearns Burton Fund- We are applying for two fund uses. One for movie night and one for music at the Autumn Festival. Mindy will have that submitted next week.

- Basketball is doing quite well. We are still in need of referees but we've had some great High School Basketball players that have been stepping up. Last year we had them volunteer to ref on Saturday's and the town purchased them new jackets in lieu of payment and we will do the same this year.

- Basketball, Cheer and Karate signups went so well! We have over 50 girls in cheer, about 122 basketball players and over 50 karate students signed up. All programs have been arranged so they do not overlap each other and the children can play multiple sports.

- Our 3 on 3 Basketball tournament will be held on January 28, we have multiple raffle items and games for the kids to get a chance to win prizes. We still have spots available in the tournament and you can get forms on the town website. Tickets for the raffles will be available at the game starting at 10am. We will sell tickets for a couple more weeks then make the announcements of winners on the website and facebook.

- Bordertown Softball sign ups begin next month as well as pitching clinics that will begin on Saturday mornings. Indoor clinics will begin after February vacation. The position for Softball Coordinator is still open. I will be overseeing this program personally with no stipend being paid to me. I will continue this until I find the right fit for softball.

- Bordertown has been purchasing new equipment that needed updating before the final transfer to the NIPR. They have also purchased the new net for the batting cage at the upper field that needed replacing. And we are working on having the posts donated as well.

- Budget meetings- We had some issues in the meetings with the selectmen and budget committee. They cut the potty budget again this year. I tried to explain to them the issues we had last year but they thought it

would be easy to get bids on them. Well most companies won't bid on two potties so I got some chuckles when I called back some of the companies that service our area. If we want the handicap potty we'll have to use money from the revolving fund. If the selectmen approve it.

- position changes- We have two position changes in the Rec. Dept. We will be accepting and presenting these to our selectmen. We will be welcoming Tina McCabe!

- spring soccer- Shawn has contacted Milford and is working out how the program will run. It will be u10-u8 most likely.

- online payment for sports programs- We almost have this set up!! You will be able to make payments from a link on the town web page. Paperwork will still have to be handed or mailed in.

-Dances- Mindy approved \$150 for spending on the dances. And to purchase 10 reusable table clothes.

- Easter egg hunt- we will be doing free pics this year. To save money we will email pictures to each family.

-End of year funds- We have just over \$40,000 in our revolving fund. We have great ideas for some of this money, but most importantly it's a reflection of hard work from our volunteers and coordinators!

- we are looking at collecting quotes for renovations at the filter house storage to turn it into a Rec center. This could provide indoor location at the park for summer camp, an after school program and many adult rec programs.

- Summer camp will be canceled this year until we can figure out a better situation for indoor area. We are hoping to have Fun Fridays for the kids throughout the summer.

NEXT MEETING WILL BE FEBRUARY 22, 2017

As always sign up forms for upcoming programs can be found on the town website.

www.townofnewipswich.org

As of now the areas we are looking for volunteers are:

- Easter event
- Autumn Fest
- Movie Night
- Adult Rec Committee (new need ideas and coordinators)
- Youth Soccer Program
- Fourth of July Committee