

Minutes, July 8, 2015 – Kinnelon Recreation Commission Meeting

Sunshine Notice Read and meeting called to order at 7:45 PM

Roll Call: Present were Jeanne Armstrong, Don Burnett, Kevin Goldstein, Dana Jacko, Rick Millis, Bob Scorzo, Jim Tilton, Ray Wolak and Councilman James Freda. Absent was Mike Airey.

Kinnelon Resident Kim Shadek attended the meeting to discuss concerns about choosing All-Star Players for Baseball. The process for choosing all-star players was discussed and it was requested that the process be seriously looked at and improved for next year in hopes of making it a more fairly perceived process. In addition, there was a discussion regarding the payment of fees for the various baseball and softball tournaments. Also, there was discussions regarding coaches at the traveling level. Form a committee to set up coaching criteria was discussed. Then there would be something in place if we need to ask a coach to step down.

Current Programs and Business:

Turf Fields – Jim Freda discussed the various stages the proposed turf field has gone through re. DEP approval etc. There have been many obstacles slowing the progress. In addition, there are residents that continue to show up at Mayor and Council meetings that are strongly against the field. Commissioners all discussed that there needs to be more support at the council meetings from the recreation commission and the public. They are now bonding not using Open Space funds.

Fall Registration: Registration is very strong in all areas especially football. The only weak spot is the older girls' soccer group. Everyone agreed to keep registration open until August 10th without a late fee because of the number of people that are away.

Summer Camp: It is going great. Only a week and half to go. Tomorrow is the Liberty State Park Trip. Friday the kids will be treated to tennis lessons. After some discussion with the head counselors and teen counselors-the general consensus is that the day is too long and that we should consider going an extra week, but also cut the day off at 1 or 1:30 pm. Although parents seemed to like the extended day, the kids were just too tired. There will be a self-evaluation form going out to all counselors.

Commissioner Assignments for Fall 2015

- **Soccer Clinic – Dana Jacko**
- **Senior Boys Soccer – Jim Freda**
- **Intermediate Boys Soccer – Jeanne Armstrong**
- **Intermediate Girls Soccer – Don Burnett**
- **Junior boys Soccer – Jim Tilton**
- **Junior Girls Soccer – Jeanne Armstrong**
- **Flag Football – Bob Scorzo**
- **Football – Kevin Goldstein**
- **Cheerleading – Rick Millis**

It is not anticipated that a girl's senior soccer team will be fielded.

There was a discussion about whether or not Mike Airey would continue on the Recreation Commission. Jim Freda will contact Mike.

Dana Jacko made a motion to conclude the meeting at 9:32 PM. Ray Wolak seconded the motion. All were in favor.