

Peterborough Recreation Committee, (PRC), Meeting
Roland "Beaver" Jutras Recreation Building
Minutes of May 4, 2011 7:00 PM
(Approved)

Attendees: Tina Kriebel, Chair; Paula Stewart; Douglas Thompson; Todd Weeks; Andrew Dunbar; Barbara Miller, Select Board Liaison; Bob Lambert, Budget Committee Liaison; Jeffrey M. King, Recreation Director; minutes taken by Joyce Carroll, Administrative Assistant; Nicole MacStay, Administrative Assistant to the Town Administrator

- I) Meeting called to order at 7 p.m.
- II) Corrections to the April (March 30th) minutes. Page 2, second line....Andrew felt that this was below other buildingshould be "below in-town" building fees. Page 3, 4th paragraph, last sentence.....Todd stated....in his opinion. Remove the Barbara Miller statement on ADA. Jeff and Barbara Miller said that the Select board made it clear to do so. Todd made a motion to approve minutes. All approved.
- III) **Community Center Update.**
Jeff said that center is continuing to operate, a few broken windows from games. Hired GZA to come in to do an asbestos abatement bid specification for the floor tile in front room and glazing around windows. Process should take about a month. Monahon Architects have completed the bid specs for phase 1, once the asbestos is taken care of, they will put bid out. Phase 1 should be completed at end of summer or early fall. Antique market is beginning this weekend on the front lawn of the Community Center. Tina asked if we have a report on the revenue from the Community Center. Jeff reported that there has been less than \$300 to date. Tina asked if the Select Board accepted the NH Charitable Foundation grant. Jeff reported yes.
Rental Agreement: Paula asked about the categories for hourly rates, if someone was renting the entire facility. Jeff stated that each room has a separate fee.

Fee Schedule: Tina thought the fee schedule form should change to reflect additional rooms, as they are renovated and become available. Tina asked if the Roller Derby is the only fee locked in (\$250), with the understanding that renovations were happening in the middle of their rentals. Tina recommended that all rental agreements end on March 31st.

Andy asked what category 1 is in the Fee Schedule. Jeff said that it is only the Cheney-Armstrong Post of the American Legion, given that it was a military space as a thank you for their service. Andy asked about winter use for the Legion, if we have to close the building. It was noted that they just need meeting space so the large room shouldn't be an issue. Andy noted that other organizations are paying \$100 per hour for meeting space. Jeff said that once the renovation is done, rental prices are going up. Andy asked if the fee schedule could have an end date, even if it was a renewable date. Todd asked if it could be put on next month's agenda, once

everyone can review the materials again.

Jeff explained his process for creating the License Agreement, Fact Sheet, and Permit Application. He put out a question to the NHRPA list serve and received a number of responses from other towns. He then pulled the items he thought were most appropriate for us from all of the documents and created ours. He then sent them to Town Counsel who reviewed them and made a few recommendations. In particular, Town Counsel suggested using a license agreement rather than a lease because it would better fit our situation.

Andy asked if background checks are done on all people who are renting the Center. Jeff stated we perform background checks on all employees and also on volunteers that will have direct contact with children, such as coaches. We don't necessarily check referees or umpires.

There was a discussion on events and activities. It was asked if insurance coverage for groups renting the facility is responsibility of the PRD. The answer is no. Groups that rent the facility are required to provide a certificate of insurance naming the Town as an additional insured. Andy asked if the question could be passed by the town attorney for his review.

IV) **Director's Report.** Andy asked how often the Peterborough taxpayers are paying to send out the Monadnock Ledger Transcript with a copy of the Peterborough Press. Jeff said that this year we only sent out three, but we usually send them out quarterly.

V) **Program Report.**

Tina reported that her husband, Greg, is now the PAYS president. Jeff reported that he just found out the NHYLA requires background checks to be provided by a company that contracts with US Lacrosse. Because of the way the NH court system works, an outside company can't cost-effectively get information from them. Therefore, information could be missed. Jeff said that we currently use the NH State Police for our State checks, and SSCI for our national checks. Now the NHYLA is trying to force us to use their company. Jeff spoke to the company today and we would have to pay more to get less information, which doesn't make sense. Jeff intends to pursue this issue with NHYLA and will report back with the results. Tina noted that if we are forced to go through US Lacrosse, we will have to burden the cost of two background checks because we will continue to do ours the way we normally do to insure that we receive all necessary information. Given all the time it would take to fight with NHYLA, is it cost effective? Jeff feels that NHYLA is not educated enough about the process to see that they are not receiving all the necessary information. Tina said that the PRC's highest priority is keep *our* program safe.

VI) **New business.** No new business

Jeff gave a presentation on the pool project and the PRC asked many questions in order to help him prepare for Town Meeting.

Who decides the length of the bond....Select Board, etc?
Equate it to value of house.

How does it affect the tax rate.
Where does interest money come from?
Is it possible to get 0% bonds? Grant funding?
Isabelle Miller Fund? Can't use it to replace. Current non-allocated amount is \$22,000! Could put it toward splash pad.
Handicap access to the pool?
Splash pad used for those with disabilities.
Want to bond without the splash pad? Could use Isabelle Miller money toward splash pad...look for alternatives?
Looking at steps, entry? Still faced with toddler standing in deep water.
Tina...drowning was second leading cause of unintentional age group. 12 to 36 month age were in the highest age group.
Grade to pool accessible?
Talk less about the fence.
Highlighted the bad things, but showed the newly painted pictures .Don't show finished paint picture.
Will project improve turnover rate, especially when have to close pool down.
How many times PRD needed to shock pool.
Non-resident fees?
Proposed revenue?
Can we charge for the splash pad?
Expand fence to include splash?
If we don't bond this, how many years do we have to save to replace pool?
If we were to put \$200,000, and increased at 8%/per year

Cut I-bolt picture
How much if we buy a new pool?
How much longer would a new pool last rather than a renovated pool?
Cut down length of the pool?
Where are the other nearest pools?
How will project be run? Are you comfortable laying out a process.

Meeting adjourned at 8:58

Respectfully submitted by Joyce Carroll, PRC Minute Taker 05-04-2011.