Members Present: Joe LaRovera, Sean Strumello, Ray Faustich, Jack Liedke, Janice Keough, Glen Green, Patrick Stanek
Members Absent:  
Others Present: Missy Orosz

Pledge of Allegiance

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Public Comment: none

Correspondence: Joe Carrifello asking for the use of gym for Basketball camp.

Approval of January meeting Minutes:
  Motion-Jack Liedke    Second-Sean Strumello  Vote-7-0

Motion to Approve Treasurers Report:
  Motion-Ray Faustich    Second-Jack Liedke  Vote-7-0

Motion to Approve Joe LaRovera as Chairmen:
  Motion-Glen Green    Second-Dean Strumello  Vote 6-0-1
      Joe LaRovera-abstained

Motion to approve Ray Faustich as Vice Chairmen:
  Motion- Jack Liedke    Second-Patrick Stanek  Vote 6-0-1
      Ray Faustich-Abstained

Motion to Approve Jack Liedke as Treasurer:
  Motion-Sean Strumello    Second-Janice Keough  Vote 6-0-1
      Jack Liedke-Abstained

Directors Report/Trips and Travel:

- Dee is working on getting a Mathis grant for playground shows. Still waiting on response.
- Yankee game for spring possible.
- Broadway shows.
- Basketball Championship at Middle School March 6th (boys) and March 6th (girls)
- Spring preschool classes will be starting in mid March.
- Staff letters were sent out to returning playground staff and responses are due by March 6th.

Old Business-
Sub Committee- Please see Attached Minutes from sub committee meeting.

Next Meeting will be held after tonight's meeting and Jack Liedke stated they are hoping to meet twice a month.

New Business:
Ray stated that the board should be aware of a new legislative Act regarding concussions and how they may effect the department.

Chairmen LaRovera stated that he saw a copy of Oxford's programs. He also stated that he would like to get information on the Lego program and also a chess instructor. He also stated that he would like Missy to gather information on youth trips for the next meeting.

Ray asked about forming another sub-committee specifically for programs.

Motion to form a sub-committee for programs:
Motion-Ray Faustich Second-Janice Keough Vote: 7-0

Motion to approve Janice Keough as Chairman of Sub-committee for programs:
Motion-Ray Faustich Second-Sean Strumello Vote: 6-0-1
Janice Keough Abstained

Ray mentioned that there was an issue gaining access to the gym with a vendor. Glen stated he had called and Jack Ahearn was concerned about union issues.

Missy asked about lifeguards or a swim instructor that are needed. She asked if anyone was aware of any to please have them call the office.

Motion to approve gym use for Joe Carrifiello for basketball camp:
Motion: Janice Keough Second: Glen Green Vote: 7-0

Motion to adjourn at 8:16 pm:
Motion- Janice Keough Second-Sean Strumello Vote: 7-0
Respectfully Submitted:

Kathleen Pelletier
Recording Secretary
REVIEW OF FIRST MEETING:

Meeting Date: Monday, February 10, 2014
Attendance: Jack Liedke, Ray Faustich, Glenn Green

After initial discussion of the goals and expectations of the subcommittee as it was understood by its members, the subcommittee agreed that they would approach the review and consideration of various building improvements with three categories in mind: Safety Improvements, Functional/Operational Improvements and Aesthetic/Image Related Improvements. For the first meeting, the subcommittee discussed Safety improvements.

Safety improvements proposed to research and potentially implement were:

- Emergency and first aid items
  - AED unit, first aid cabinet, CPR training
  - Seymour Ambulance has agreed to assist us in research, setting up and training at little cost. Ray is coordinating contact with them.
  - Dee Caruso at First Selectman’s office has already submitted a grant application for us.
  - Next steps:
    - Coordinate with Seymour Ambulance on type and cost for AED unit and first aid cabinet and training when department is ready
    - Continued follow up with Dee Caruso regarding grant approval

- Gym Floor
  - Floor is very slippery due to dust, dirt and salt
  - Improved and more frequent maintenance is needed
  - Acquiring a floor cleaning machine is being pursued as is a recommendation on proper maintenance approach. Glenn has been in touch with maintenance business who works on floors in other gyms in town.
  - Next steps:
    - Getting maintenance provider in to review the floor
    - Joe L is researching cleaning machine
    - Need an understanding of water source in gym area / work with town hall to gain access to locker rooms and closet down stairs in gym. Jack is coordinating with First Selectman’s office and Rec office.

- Mats for Doors
  - Doors near backboard near front entrances need mats (basketball players are continually running into the doors from the court)
  - We are investigating costs. Jack has been in touch with three providers.
- Next steps:
  - Dimensions of doors needed (Jack will get)
  - Secure quotes and determine budget availability
- Improved Exterior Lighting
  - Lighting in parking lot is not great
  - Ray contacted Public Works Dept. and has been told CL&P would be able to install two sets of additional lighting at no cost.
  - Next steps:
    - Confirm channels of approval for acquisition
    - Coordinate with Public Works and CL&P
- Possible Changes for Basketball Games for Minor Improvement to Player Safety
  - Discussed possibility of implementing policy that requires basketball players to carry in basketball sneakers and change into them after arriving inside gym
    - Jack reviewed possibility of implementing next season with Missy
  - Discussed issue of players running into visitors on bleachers or bleachers themselves
  - Next steps:
    - Review with Jack A. to see if he would agree to implement sneaker policy
    - Review with Jack A. and Missy to see if there is a way to not pull out bleachers as far or have visitors sit at parts of bleachers on opposite side.

NEXT MEETING:
Second meeting of the subcommittee is scheduled for Wednesday night, February 26th, right after the regular Recreation Commission meeting in the Rec office. Continued follow-up on the safety improvements will be discussed as will initial discussion on Functional/Operational Improvements.

Subcommittee has also agreed to meet the 2nd and 4th Mondays of each month at 7pm the Flaherty Room. Subcommittee will meet until it feels it has exhausted its efforts.

If there are any questions or suggestions, please let me know.

PREPARED BY:

Jack Liedke