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REGULAR MEETING

NOVEMBER 18, 2009

COMMUNITY CENTER

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 PM by Vice Chairperson, Joe LaRovera.

<u>MEMBERS PRESENT</u>: Joe Falcha (arrived 8:15)- Joe LaRovera – Christine Battis – Gary Bruce – Glenn Green – Missy Orosz, PT Associate Director

MEMBERS ABSENT: Lisa Andrzejewski - Jennifer Harkey – Jack Ahearn, Director

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A motion was made by Christine and seconded by Gary to approve the minutes of the October 28, 2009 meeting. Joe L.-yes Christine-yes Gary-yes Glenn-yes Minutes approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Joe L. reported the following:

Contracted services line item 620-500 estimated total balance as of 11/17//09.....\$12,326.69

A motion was made by Christine and seconded by Glenn to accept this report. All in favor, motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS: A letter from Colleen Steeves regarding Community Center use for Bungay School after school programs starting February 22, 2010 through March 25, 2010. This is the third year of this program which would run four days a week from 3:40-4:50 PM and would include use of the Cougar's Den area. This was approved by all. The directors will work out the schedule with them.

Bob Lang requested use of the gym for baseball/softball clinics on Saturdays in January, February and March from 4:00-8:00 PM.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

<u>Skate Park</u> – took in \$54.00 and paid out approximately \$247.50 the last week that it was open. It is now closed for the year.

<u>Basketball</u> registrations have closed. T-shirts for the Instructional League have been ordered. There is a concern regarding cost of purchasing of reversible shirts for the other teams. Discussion followed. The Instructional Leagues have 70 kids at this time. Travel team tryouts will start next week.

A motion was made by Christine and seconded by Glenn to purchase reversible shirts for all teams other than the Instructional Teams which have already been ordered. Christine-yes Glenn-yes Joe L. – yes Gary- yes (see more under Old Business).

<u>Karate-</u> has increased signups due to extensive media coverage. Dean turned in \$1,140.00 for November and the Recreation Department retained \$190.00 of that amount.

Travel/Trips-

Trans-Siberian Orchestra- 11/14 received glowing praise for those who attended.

Christmas Show at Radio City – 11/22 – sold out..

NYC shopping trip on Saturday, 12/5 - 4 seats left

Brian Boitano Ice Skating show – Saturday 12/12 at Arena at Harbor Yard – half full.

<u>Cougar's Den-</u> was to be open 11/6 from 7:30-9:30 PM. for 7^{th} and 8^{th} graders, however, due to a suggestion from the Board of Education because of several flu cases, it was cancelled. The 6^{th} grade session for 11/20 has also been cancelled for the same reason. Members showed disappointment in the cancellations. December events are scheduled for December 4-7th & 8^{th} graders and December 11 for 6^{th} graders. Missy is still looking for volunteers for future events.

A motion was made by Christine and seconded by Glenn not to close the Cougar's Den Youth Center activities unless it is a weather related issue. All in favor, motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS: Due to the absence of members Jennifer and Lisa, the Summer Camp Program Wrap-up will again be tabled to another meeting.

- ----<u>Skate Park</u> closing Christine offered to get a better financial report on this program to discuss further as to whether it will open again in the spring.
- ---Connecticut Speed School the first three dates were cancelled. The fliers were taken to the schools but apparently many were not handed out. The Holiday Clinic will take place on Saturday, November 28, 2010, at 4:00 PM. Gary again suggested that a second marquee on the Community Center would help advertise recreation programs in case the fliers aren't sent home through the school system. Everyone agreed this is a great idea.
- --- Youth Basketball the Principal of Bungay School requested that all Basketball be completed and out of the gym by 9:00 PM.

A motion was made by Christine and seconded by Gary to have the Director's order reversible shirts from the first vendor that can deliver the shirts by game day (11/28). All in favor, motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS: Fall Programs

- --Floor hockey had 20 participants and went very well.
- -- The pre-school sports class went well and Missy plans to do another one in the spring.
- --Playgroup held Monday and Wednesday mornings is full.
- -- Tennis had a waiting list. Missy hopes to get more help in the spring to accommodate everyone.
- --Basketball League directors Debbie and Reginald are doing a great job.

A motion was made by Joe F. and seconded by Joe L. to not approve Bob Lang's request for Saturday dates for baseball clinics. All in favor, motion carried.

A motion was made by Joe F. and seconded by Joe L. to approve time for Little League Clinics on Sundays as worked out with the Recreation Department and Bob Lang. All in favor, motion carried.

Gary suggested a Community Calendar with all activities be available. This calendar should include school activities as well as Recreation Programs.

It was suggested to have a December workshop as well as the regular scheduled Commission meeting. Joe F. will consider and act upon this suggestion.

A motion was made by Joe L. and seconded by Christine to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 PM. All in favor, meeting adjourned.

The next regular meeting scheduled to be held on Wednesday, <u>December 16, 2009 at 7:00 PM at the Community Center. Members are reminded to contact Joe or Jack if they cannot attend.</u>

Respectfully submitted minutes but not yet approved

Jean Banks, Recording Secretary