

Parks & Recreation Commission

Meeting Minutes – March 10, 2015 **Approved 06-03-2015**

Meeting began at approx. 6pm

Present: Ronalee P., Courtney M., Mike R., Ryan M., Don L., Angelica M.

Guests: Jeff Johnson, Paul Cornoni, Kathy Eisin, Ken Shute

New Business

Review/Vote to approve minutes from 2/24/2015

Motion to approve was made by Courtney, 2nd motion made by Mike.

Fees for Park Use

The baseball league is concerned that the prices the Commission is proposing are too high. If the Commission chooses to do just time blocks, and does not offer a seasonal rate as well, then the cost will be too great for them. Parks and Recreation, along with the DPW, want to be fair, but need to start charging in order to help maintain and improve the fields. The Commission does not ever want to charge if the leagues are 100% Salisbury children, such as SYSBL. How many children in Salisbury participate in the Babe Ruth? Babe Ruth feels as though they put a lot of money and time into the fields to help maintain them and if they start paying then the fields should be in better shape and basically ready for the leagues to use. This is not the case. The DPW and Parks and Recreation agree that if SYSBL and Babe Ruth continue to help with the maintenance and improvements of the fields, than no fees will be charged. The Parks and Recreation Commission along with the DPW propose the following fees: For Profit, \$45.00 (2 hour time block), \$90.00(3 hour game block) \$750.00 (seasonal rate), Non Profit: \$35.00 (2 hour time block), \$60.00 (3 hour game block), \$400.00 (seasonal rate), 100% Salisbury children: no charge. Fees will be re-evaluated yearly. In lieu of fees in-kind services will be considered and deducted from field usage charges. In order to have in-kind services deducted from charges, approval must be granted from the D.P.W. ahead of time. Motion to approve made by Courtney, 2nd motion made by Ryan. All in favor. Fees are approved as written effective immediately.

Easter Egg Hunt

The Easter Egg Hunt went very well. The Commission had about 200 attendants. The Girl Scouts volunteered for face painting, which worked out well. All went as planned. Next year Angelica suggested getting Salisbury Family Connection involved to organize an Easter themed craft.

Tortoise & Hare-April 4, 2015

So far the Commission has received \$1,000 from Leeward Lighthouse, \$250 from Walls Ford and \$100 from SBBA. Pride Motor Group said that they would be donating money. There are about 40 people signed up for the race. Sponsorship info is due ASAP, as the commission needs to order tee shirts. Brendan Burke, with the help of City Sports, donated swag bags and sneakers for the runners. Volunteers are still needed to help with water stops and road flagging. Angelica will contact the Girl Scout troop to see if anyone can help out with water stops.

Old Business:

Summer Running Festival/Brewfest

Tabled. This will be talked about at the PARC subcommittee meeting.

PARC Grant

Tabled.

Heidi Thompson/Tortoise & Hare 2014

Tabled.

Beach Field

Tabled.

Volleyball

Volleyball is still going well, steady attendance of people.

Meeting ended approximately 8:00 pm