

# NORTH ROYALTON RECREATION BOARD MINUTES

Tuesday, February 25, 2014

The Recreational Board meeting was held on February 25, 2014. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mr. Wells

**Present:** Committee Members: Chair Russ Wells, Todd Althouse, Tony Santangelo, Dr. John Kelly, Paul Marnecheck; Larry Battaglia: Administration: Mayor Stefanik, Larry Antoskiewicz; Clubs & Organizations: Terry Veverka (Baseball), Pete Ragone (Soccer), Tom Grasi (Basketball), Bob Baran (Volleyball); Unrecognized Clubs: Scot Elasky (Football), Austin Shriver (YMCA)

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES

*Minutes from January 28<sup>th</sup> meeting: Motion to accept Dr. John Kelly, Mr. Marnecheck 2<sup>nd</sup> - Motion carried*

## REPORTS

### Recreation Department

Larry Battaglia – Thanked everyone for the last couple years. This will be his last meeting, he is resigning at the end of the month.

### School Board

Dr. John Kelly – Encouraged everyone to learn the facts before they make their decision on the school board bond issue and they should attend one of the public meetings. And please come out to vote.

### Council

Paul Marnecheck - Reviewed the legislation about rec director full-time position. It is now out of committee and recommended approval by entire council. It will put to vote at the next council meeting.

### Mayor

Mayor Robert Stefanik - Jason swim, currently employed by city and will take over Rec Director, pending Rec Board recommendation and approval by Council, from Larry Battaglia. Effective March 1st. Larry Battaglia will resign on Feb 28th.

Mr. Marnecheck made a motion to recommend Jason Swim be promoted to full-time Rec Director. 2nd by Dr. Kelly. Motion carried

## NORTH ROYALTON RECOGNIZED CLUBS:

**Baseball: Terry Veverka** – NRBB's registration is online, still only at 400 kids usually 700 by now. Mr. Veverka feels that many will wait until the last minute. We usually have 1300-1400 total for the year. Mr. Battaglia discusses the park bench instead of tree in memory of a person that passed away. Benches cost \$812. The group asked if they had to buy the \$812 bench or can they buy something else. Mr. Battaglia is asking board, if we should force \$812 bench because safety. The Rec board agrees that we should require them to purchase the \$812 bench.

**Soccer: Pete Ragone** – Pete. Soccer just opened registration, 75 registered so far. Picture day for soccer is 3/15. Soccer days will be May 17-18. Practice will start March 17, Rec games begin and 3/29. Travel games will start week of 4/13. He also passed out the 2014 budget. Mr. Battaglia asked about the check for field development fees. Mr. Ragone will make sure he gets it soon.

**Basketball: Tom Grassi** – just finished season last week. Schools helped with gym time. Had a good season.

**Volleyball: Bob Baran** – They had a coaches meeting and are trying to get the word out about recruiting. Open to anyone in North Royalton. Mr. Baran was reminded that Volleyball follow same guidelines as other organizations. Mr. Baran would like to schedule gym times ASAP. Since this is the first year, NR Volleyball may not charge any money other than the \$5 city fee.

#### **NORTH ROYALTON NON-RECOGNIZED CLUBS:**

**Football: Scot Elasky** – Announced that Gary Humble is the new North Royalton Football commissioner. Football registration will start mid-march. They also plan to utilize online registration. Me. Elasky is working with schools to schedule NR High School stadium. Football wants to utilize it for pre-season conditioning. July 28th will be the first day of practice. Tackle football will start 8/23 at stadium. Aug 7th is picture day. August 30th is the first week of regular season.

**YMCA: Austin Shriver** – The YMCA is meeting soon to discuss men's softball. North Royalton and Ridgewood YMCA are doing a March Madness 3 on 3 tournament. Mr. Antoskiewicz asked about men's softball about when the YMCA took over men's softball. He just wanted to verify they are now running the program. Mike Lark with NRBB will handle field scheduling.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

**Assistant Law Director:** Donna Vozar - Baseball and Soccer are currently the only 2 recognized organizations. City is suggesting to rec board that Basketball Association of North Royalton and North Royalton Volleyball Club also be recognized by the Rec Board. They will have to follow the same rules and regulations as Baseball and Soccer.

A Motion to recognize the 2 new clubs above was made by Mr. Santangelo , 2nd Dr. Kelly, motion carried

Ms. Vozar is asking that each organization maintain all copies of registration forms. Keep all records until notified otherwise. Please make sure if you use online registration it should be available if the city asks for them. Mr. Wells asked if paper waivers can be scanned and stored digitally. Ms. Vozar replied that originals must be kept.

**Boy Scouts Troup 218 from Royal Redeemer**– Greg Frolo – Citizen and Community Service Merit badges. One of the requirements of the Badge is to come to a City or Community Meeting.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

**Ron Kachmarie** - an Eagle Scout candidate gave report w/pictures showing the work he completed at Heasley Field. Everyone agreed he did a great job.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Mr. Althouse, seconded by Mr. Santangelo to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:58pm. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 25<sup>th</sup>, 2014 at 6:00.