

NORTH ROYALTON RECREATION BOARD MINUTES

Tuesday, April 29, 2013

The Recreational Board meeting was held on April 29, 2013. The meeting was called to order at 6:01 p.m. by Mr. Wells

Present: Committee Members: Chair Russ Wells, Todd Althouse, Tony Santangelo, John Kelly, Larry Antoskiewicz Administration: Larry Battaglia; Clubs & Organizations: Ron Widlewski, Scot Elavsky, Pete Ragone

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes March 2013: Motion to accept John K. Larry A. 2nd - Motion carried

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Playground

Larry A introduced new building commissioner, Dan. The Playground/City Hall RFP was discussed. Dan talked about engaging an architect/designer for the new city hall. The same designed could also design entire park including playground. Each playground gives contract to local companies. An RFP for designers that will allow many options – they city hopes to get multiple designs with multiple options. RFP will be part of master plan for the entire site (including old Library). Timeframe: TBD – will be part of new city hall master plan. Planner will give picture for 20-25 years. Not everything will be done right away, could be a phased approach. There will probably not a significant expansion of playground area.

Concussion Law

Pete Ragone said “*All schools have to do is notify the parents about law. City added that parents sign a form acknowledging the concussion law.*” Larry corrected him and said the city only suggested they use letters – all the city needs is a letter from clubs guaranteeing that all parents have been notified.

NEW BUSINESS

Recreation Department

Larry Battaglia – Abundant life church would like to use Heasley Field on June 17-20 during the day and they want to use York July 8-9 from 9-11am.

School Board

John Kelly – Preview night set for August 18th. Band, soccer, football and cheer demonstrations.

Council

Larry Antoskiewicz – went over status of playground. See Unfinished Business.

Mayor

No report

NORTH ROYALTON RECOGNIZED CLUBS:

Baseball: Ron Widlewski – Working to comply with Concussion law – 85% of parent signatures collected. He estimates another week or two to complete. All signatures have been collected for Travel teams. Registrations are down over the past 2 years: Boys 100 down and Girls 150 down. Rosters are now full...only a few open spots.

Soccer: Pete Ragone – Soccer grew by 180 kids this year. Soccer is 100% compliant with concussion – 880 kids in total. Travel tryouts week of May 20th – Probably Mon-Fri. They will only use online registration. Fall registration ends on June 15th. Footskills have been going on at the Stadium. Everyone loves it. 501c3 form 1024 has been submitted. The IRS wants 5 years financial records. They hope to get back 501c4 from the IRS soon after submitting records, and then they will apply for 501c3. They are currently a 501c7 from the State of Ohio. Pet met with John and Mike young to talk about seed and fertilizer. Soccer will by product and city will furnish labor. Soccer need drain tiles on Field 2 behind goal. They will look at adding drain tile. Soccer is considering paying for material for tiles – city will cover labor costs. Asked about lights at memorial – Larry B. says they have been fixed. Soccer wants to use the city purchased land by parkway for soccer fields. Larry A – says Metroparks is going to lease land for a number of years. Metroparks is clearing buildings from properties. Next year they will connect land to Metroparks. A pavilion and a dog exercise area is planned. Metroparks will administer that land...about 17 acres. Pete asked about 82nd property. Larry A says they have not discussed anything about the property. City has no current plans.

Football: Scott Elavsky – USA football gives grants for Astro Turf. Football is applying for grants for Astro Turf on NR fields and uniforms. 80-85 kids signed up so far. Online registration has made it much easier. They are setting summer workout schedule.

NEW BUSINESS

Oakridge Estates Swim Club requests that city fill their swimming pool. Larry A. requested approval. John K. made the motion and Tony S. 2nd, Motion carried, Todd Althouse abstained.

Pete R. asked the city for a community service project for the HS Varsity Girls Soccer team.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by John K., seconded by Tony S. to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 28th at 6:00.