

Sunapee Recreation Committee Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, April 9, 2019

Sunapee Town Hall

Start Time: 5:31pm

Member Attendees: Scott Blewitt, Charleen Osborne, Megan Oxland, Tim Berube, Melissa Trow, Ed Winters & Dan Hayward

Guest Attendees: Beth Johnson

Veterans Field Update

- Approved unanimously by Sunapee Selectman on April 8, 2019 to spend the \$58,395.00 for scope of services for the Veterans Field Project.
- June will be the earliest start date assuming money in hand.
- Discussion about future fundraising- Friends of Veterans Field
 - 2 different pledges of \$15,000 each coming & going into the trust fund

Annual Events with Project Sunapee (Caitlin Clapp):

- Discussion in working with other community groups to keep various community events going in town (i.e. Holiday in the Harbor)

Meeting with group to discuss further TBD

Field Usage:

- Mount Royal is asking for the use of Dewey Field as long as they are finished with the field by 4pm.
- SMHS- Looking for use of Veterans Field until 4:30 for the pre-season. As of 4/29 they will need to be done by 4pm.
- No problem with this seen by the committee.

Annual Easter Egg Hunt:

- 4/20/19 at Ben Mere starting at 9:30am sharp
- Volunteers needed to help

Beach Clean-ups:

- Dewey Beach clean-up: a few weeks before Memorial Day week. We will use a town contractor to do heavy clean-up then volunteers doing the smaller projects.
- Georges Mills Beach: Scott Hazelton & Scott Blewitt working on After the Fact paperwork from the clean-up from the end of the summer last year.

**Megan Oxland introduced Beth Johnson as a possible new member. Beth is a lifelong resident of Sunapee & a mother of 2 school aged children. She is considering joining recreation committee. Beth will get back to us on a decision.

Baseball Update:

- Tim Berube gave update on the coaches meeting he recently attended.
 - No major rule changes
 - 7 major teams
 - Unsure on how many minor teams
 - Many rookie teams
 - Many t-ball teams
- Rookies & majors head & assistant coaches will need background checks.

Ideas: Scott Blewitt

- Thinking about the cost of seasonal sports & possible need to adjust. For example, baseball is a costly sport in the spring with hats/visors, shirt, pants, socks, & umpire fees. Will revisit before next fall.
- Turkey Trot: Discussion of possible change from an event to a fundraiser for Veterans Field. How can we cut costs? Timer changes? T-shirt costs?

Meeting Adjourned 6:28pm-