MINUTES
TOWN OF NORTON

Board / Committee: Parks and Recreation

Meeting Date: 02-12-2019  Time: 7:06pm
Meeting Location: Parks and Rec Room, 3rd floor

Members & Staff Present:
Sonia Tsilis, Audrey Moschella, Heather Creegan, Sharon Rice

Members Not Present:
Nicole Pryharski, Rob Kerr, Carol Zwicker, Tiffani Green, Mark Sweeney

The meeting was called to order at 7:06pm and adjourned at 9:33pm.

Minutes from the _______ meeting were reviewed and approved as written.

Meeting Motions / Actions and Summary of Discussions:

- Not enough members present for a quorum, so no motions were made.

Discussion:

- Signed off on bills- Comcast, Constellation Energy.
- Everett Leonard Park Pool:
  - Reviewed the status of the concession stand at ELP. Sharon provided photos and notes from the Building Inspector’s assessment. There is rot in the sides of the concession stand, a fire code violation in the storage area (items preventing clear access to fuse box and water shut-off), low-hanging wires, and some low tree branches. Sharon to solicit repair quotes for prioritization, to contact Comcast re: low wires, and the Highway Dept for possible removal of the tree branches.
  - Set tentative pool hours and rates (TO BE VOTED ON) for 2019 Season.
  - Sharon to try to find past memberships and previous advertising rates for forecasting the amount of money needed to be raised to keep the pool neutral on the budget for labor and for needed repairs. (ADVERTISING RATES TO BE VOTED ON)
  - Other fundraising suggestions included a Bingo Night, a Taste of Norton, and a cornhole tournament at Downtown

- Spring Fling
  - Waiting for follow up on the pizza (Emma’s vs Homeplate), follow up on the water donation, and the cookie donation, and NEMA’s involvement.
  - Audrey to work with the HS guidance counselor and Nat’l Honor Society for volunteers. Sonia to help draft flier to be distributed.
o Heather to get wristbands for people to wear.
  o Fliers have been distributed to the schools.

- Egg Hunt:
  o Fliers soliciting candy donations to be finished and distributed by end-of-week.
  o Sharon to find out if we can leave boxes with the signs to collect candy.
  o Girl Scouts to stuff the eggs, but need the candy + the eggs at least one month prior to event.
  o Egg Hunt will be Apr 20. No rain date selected.
  o Pony rides and facepainting will be available for preselected donation amounts to support the pool.
  o Baby animals will be available for petting.
  o Volunteers to be solicited via social media. Without donated candy and without additional volunteers, this event may be cancelled.

- Founder’s Day
  o Received one quote for fireworks. Due to manufacturing cost increases, fireworks are expected to rise by 28%. Two more quotes to be solicited and the Town Manager and Fire Dept will be consulted before a final decision is made.
  o Four additional restaurant fundraising nights have been set up: two at Uno’s in Wrentham (2/26, 3/26), and two at the Chateau in Norton (3/20, 5/15)
  o Also should repeat the 50/50 raffle at the NE Rodeo (if possible).
  o Vendor forms and sponsorship levels have been reviewed; added additional perk of a free advertising sign at the ELP Pool for sponsorships over $2,000 (value tbd).
  o Fundraising letters on target to be mailed by Mar 1.
  o Raffle donations and such to be solicited on social media/P&R site after Mar 4.

- Raised the suggestion of repeating a town-wide spring clean-up day. More research to be done and volunteers to be solicited prior to organizing.

- Raised the suggestion of a town dog park. More research to be done, re: location, actual possibilities/realities.

- To vote on at next meeting:
  o Raising pool membership prices – passes and private rental fees.
  o Setting the advertising rates for pool sponsorships

Next meeting set as Tues, Feb 26 at 7pm at Uno’s in Wrentham to support the fundraising night for Founder’s Day.

List of Documents and Other Exhibits used at Meeting:

- Reviewed drafts of the FDay sponsorship/vendor forms.
- Reviewed photos of the pool/concession stand.

Minutes respectfully submitted by: Heather Creegan

Minutes approved by the Board or Committee on: ____________________________

Chairman/Vice-Chairman Signature: __________________________________________