11.5.15

Lafayette Recreation Board Meeting

Present: Gordie, Matt, John, Launa, Haley, Kim, Meghan, Beth, Kris at 6:15 and Adam at 6:30

-Minutes from last month’s meeting approved.

- Unanimously concluded better communication is needed between board and Kim. Kim welcomes texting, emails, board agreed to communicate openly and early regarding any items of concern.

- Meghan asked about meeting/hours she attends meetings. Kim quantified.

- John asked if Kim documents hours spent and where they are spent. Kim did keep a log for the first several years, based on memory now she knows how long it takes to mow the Dow, line & prep the fields. Someone commented that most salaried people don't keep track of hours. John felt strongly that if folks inquired they/he should be able to share what exactly Kim does. All agreed that Kim would try to log actual hours of work done.

- Kim feels that the Tri town area would be smart to support the trail system, enhance it. It's such a benefit to the area and is underutilized. She would like the Lafayette Rec be a supporter of NEMBA, help develop and enhance the trails. Communities working together to promote the trails. It would benefit all ages. Gordie made a motion for board to approve the Rec supporting the NEMBA. John asked and it was clarified that by the Rec supporting NEMBA it would require Kim's time, manpower.

Developing a more formal long range plan for big-item expenses.

Kim indicated the below order would be her priority:

- Kim asked for fresh wood chips on the DOW, cost approx. $2,200.00 for one truck load. That price does not include spreading of the chips. Kim would use town backhoe to spread. Wood chips will come out of DOW fund. Kim will find out from Sally how much is in the fund.

-The plane also needs to be replaced, need to decide what to replace it with. The plane is VERY popular! But, it needs to be replaced with a non-pressure treated item. John wanted to know if there was another produce that might be used vs. chips. Rubber was mentioned but it's far more costly. Kris also commented that rubber chips get very hot to touch for kids.

- Silt/Sand mix for baseball infield needs to be replaced. Pike will do a mix of whatever we ask them to do, give break on price or even donate. Gordie said the reality of the school taking care of is low on list.

-New windows and paint for warming hut. Kim sent email to Chip at Whitney's maybe he has windows he's removing some from an old job. Kim would like this to be done next summer.

- Composting toilet's located someplace near DOW.

-Foot bridge to the DOW and roof on the rink to the DOW, been on the list for years. Big ticket items.

-Long range goals board will discuss next month.

-We'll come up with language for Kim to put on website regarding community members offering suggestions for programs.

- To add to long term goals, discussions re: NPass, if they do rip up 116, let's get involved as Rec and see if we can negotiate bike paths maybe pedestrian bridges.

- 3rd quarter review: Kim reviewed. We come under budget every year. We hope it's a reflection of how responsibly the program is run. Matt suggested incorporating baseball helmets into Kris's wish list along with the shirts and pants for baseball. Kim thinks we'll be 5k under budget by the time wages are paid so it's safe to spend up to 5k on baseball and couple of things for the summer program. Motion made by Haley to allow Kris to spend up to 5k for equipment, helmets and parachutes. Unanimously approved.

- Halloween cup, very successful. Kim does not have final # as expenses are not all in yet. 47 teams played. At cup there was mention of a building and slab being donated. We will all think on how and where one might best be used. 7 port a potties were good. Toilet paper was issue. Kim will check with Calkins for a key to the toilet paper. Kris will order next year’s shirts, she is working on a new design for the 10th annual. $1,620.00 was spent on shirts-including Ref shirts. Conclusion from food committee all went well. Food completely sold out. Over 2 hours spent picking up trash after event; we'll consider adding more trash cans next year.

- Wobble Gobble, volunteers needed.

-No old business.

- Motion to adjourn by Meghan, 2nd by Haley.