

Franklin Recreation Meeting

March 24, 2025

Stephanie called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

In attendance were: Stephanie Ho, Laura Larose, Lissy Bachelder, Dianna Kittell, Ashley Flood, and Allison Franklin.

Public Comment

- Nate Poore - Hunter's Safety Course for Franklin residents. Tentative date in June.
 - Laura will reach out to discuss available dates and a meeting place.
 - Up to 15 participants - adults and children.
 - First day would be informational and handing out materials.
 - Participants work at home and follow-up with a field day about a month after the first meeting.

Rec Coordinator

- None

Field Management

- Baseball Field/Little League Prep
 - The new outfield fence has been ordered.
 - Field guide line and paint need to be ordered. McCuin's did not have any in stock but is expecting an order.

Dianna motioned to spend up to \$1000 for field guide line and paint for the 2025 Little League season. Laura seconded. The motion passed.

- Northwest Regional Planning Commission has a hydro seeder that we could borrow for the field work.
- Stephanie spoke with Cody Jettie who is planning on placing a bid but was looking for further clarification.
- Tentative field work day April 12th.

Meeting Minutes

Lissy motioned to approve the meeting minutes from the 3/10 meeting. Stephanie seconded. The motion passed.

Treasurer's Report

- Bills were reviewed and approved.
- Balances:
 - Fund Balance 17,943.45
 - Checking \$25,409.20
 - Little League \$5660.25

The report was reviewed. Lissy motioned to approve the report. Stephanie seconded. The motion passed.

Grants/Sponsorship/Fundraising

- Sponsorship
 - 4 sponsorships received.
 - One \$50 Sponsor a Player option received.
 - Ashley will update the website with the options offered.
- Fundraising -
 - Hannafords Helps donation bags are available at the Swanton Hannafords for the month of March.
 - Lake Monsters dates selected: July 11th and July 20th.
- Grants - Discussed being prepared for grants such as Building Better Futures.

Old Business

Basketball

- Basketball equipment, med kits, and supplies need to be picked up from the school.
- Ashley will send reimbursement amount to school for 5/6 basketball and referees.

Little League

- Game balls - should have 16 balls on hand for each team
 - Will need to order:
 - 2 cases of baseballs (majors and minors)
 - 1 case for majors softball and 1 case for minors softball.
 - Pitching machine balls

Dianna motioned to spend up to \$500 on balls for the 2025 season. Lissy seconded. The motion passed.

- Little League International volunteer form and the mandatory training requirements will be sent out to all volunteers from NWLL board. All coaches must complete all requirements prior to stepping on the field.
- Board members will meet 3/31 to organize equipment to be ready.
- Coaches meeting to be set.

Winter Carnival/BINGO and Chili //Chowder Cook-off - Recap

- 18-20 participants
- A suggestion was pre-marking the game patterns and adding a kids bingo (candy bar bingo).

- Made \$250 after donating \$75 back to the pub for hosting the event.

Chase Around the Lake

- Stephaie reached out to the LCCA and they liked the idea of hosting the event at the State Park.
- Stephanie will set a planning date to meet and discuss duties.

Easter Egg Hunt

- Lissy started building a flyer
- Stephanie will start planning.

Other Old Business

- Franklin Rec clothing attire order for Allison and some of the volunteers. Stephanie will get the book so we can place an order.

Lissy motioned to spend up to \$400 on Franklin Rec clothing for Allison and volunteers. Dianna seconded. The motion passed.

New Business

Girls on the Run

- The district has 100% funding this year for 100 kids to participate, which would be free for them. Allison will reach out for more details on the season, availability and how we can help advertise.

New Budget Next Steps

Open Board Position - We need a plan for advertising the new position prior to July.

Strategic Planning - Will discuss at next meeting.

Other New Business

Summer brainstorm events:

- Parking Lot Party at the Pub
- Car Show
- Farmer's Market

The meeting was adjourned at 9:07 p.m.

The next meeting will be on April 7th at 7:00 p.m.