



TOWN OF WAKEFIELD

RECREATION DEPARTMENT

Wakefield Recreation Committee Minutes

Wednesday September 21, 2022 @ 7:00 PM

Virtual - Zoom

The Recreation Committee officially came to order at 7:02PM online via Zoom

Members in attendance included: Rich Stevens, Jed Barrett, Jeanne Stinson, Julie Grillon, Chris Gargano, Tony Longo and Charlie Ciccone. Recreation Director Dan McGrath was also in attendance.

Recreation Commission welcomes our newest member, Charlie Ciccone.

Old Business

Programming Updates

Recap of Summer 2022. We have a very successful summer. Club Rec averaged 73 participants/wk and 436 overall. Best summer staff could have asked for. 54 kids participated in Children's Playhouse Classes over 5 weeks. 25 in Soccer Shots. 76 in Blacktop Basketball. 62 in Field Hockey. 100 in One on One Basketball. 51 in SNL Rec on the Run. 23 in SNL Girls Lacrosse. 86 for Volleyball. 177 for WSA Soccer Clinics. 56 in Boys Lacrosse. 52 for Warrior Baseball. 135 for Warrior Basketball. 28 for Warrior Softball. 94 in SZ101. 27 in Right Brain Curriculum Classes. 20 for Wicked Cool Kids Classes. 86 in Tennis. Served over 1500 kids this summer. Had to cancel 4 classes total.

Americal Civic Center

Busy M-F in the gym with Pickleball, WBGC, Youth Cheer, Adult Basketball. Heritage Room is getting some good use as well with BNI meetings, North Suburban Family Resource Network, Parkinson's Classes, and WBGC. Weekends are starting to pick-up.

Lower Level Kitchen is now an office for the BOH and Food Pantry. Roof being replaced this fall. Chamber of Commerce moved upstairs into old Mass Partnership for Youth office.

Fields

Turf Fields are booked solid. Men's Baseball is at Walsh. Men's Softball in playoffs. Women's season is complete. Fit Court installation is happening soon. MacKenna Courts are open. Met with the Bruin Foundation to see if we would qualify for any grants to rehab Moulton Tennis courts into a street hockey court. Reached out to neighbors of Sullivan regarding BMX, very little response, none negative.

Directors Report

Fall programming includes: Parkinson's, Pickleball Lessons – all sold out through end of year with large waitlists, Children's Playhouse, Field Hockey, Flag Football, Warrior Pre-Season Basketball, Fall Tennis, Archery, Soccer Shots, Legos, Fencing, Rock Climbing.



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Dan McGrath, Recreation Director

Karen Burke, Administrative Assistant



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Bob Burnett

Julie Grillon

Put in ARPA requests for Fit Court (\$100k), Wheel Chair Swing (\$74k), Lights at Vets Field (\$250k), Street Hockey Court (est. \$200k). These requests will need to be approved by Town Administrator and Town Council.

Town Day will be Saturday, October 8th.

Motion to adjourn made by Mr. Stevens. Seconded by Mr. Barrett 7-0

Meeting adjourned at 8:01PM

Respectfully Submitted:

Dan McGrath

Director of Recreation