Town of Wilmington Recreation Commission Minutes of January 8, 2015 Meeting

Members Present: Charlie Biondo, Sheila Burke, Mike Burns, Mark Kennedy, Laurie Robarge and Deborah Cipriani, Director

The meeting was called to order at 5:08 p.m.

The December 4, 2014 meeting minutes were read and unanimously accepted on a motion by Charlie Biondo and seconded by Sheila Burke.

Director Cipriani's Report:

Twenty-four one hour tickets were sold for the Altitude Trampoline Park in Billerica as well as two teen passes. These tickets are a new offering and made great holiday gifts.

Ski tickets are selling slowly with the absence of snow.

Santa's Workshop was very well attended on December 4. We had 20 more children attend than the prior year. As always, Santa did a terrific job visiting with the children from Wilmington.

Breakfast was served to 262 people at the Annual Breakfast with Santa. Everything went well. We will solicit additional help for the kitchen next year to get the plated meals out as quickly as possible.

The BOKS program at the Shawsheen School was filled completely and a wait list was compiled for the session running December 2 – February 26.

The Swingle Jingle day trip on December 2 started out a little behind schedule as the bus was stuck in traffic due to a car accident. However, we received rave reviews telling us the trip, food, facility, entertainment and driver were excellent.

Debbie Cipriani attended a meeting to discuss the Recreation Departments FY2016 budget. A \$400.00 increase for the Training & Conference line item is the only change she requested. As Yentile Farm was deemed not the best venue for a dog park or sprinkler park these are projects that the Recreation Department would like to investigate.

Twenty tickets were sold for the Bruins game on December 29. Unfortunately we were unable to get additional tickets to for the couple people on the wait list.

New Business:

The Junior Basketball program started their season on January 3 with the same number of teams as last year.

The Annual MRPA Conference will be held on March 10 – 12 at the UMass Campus Center in Amherst, MA.

Discussions:

Karen Campbell checked into the I9 Flag Football Program and found that it is not offered locally in the spring. Karen found it advertised for Framingham & Marlboro.

The next meeting for Yentile Farm project is scheduled for January 20th at 6 p.m. in room #9 of the Town Hall.

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by Charlie Biondo at 5:47 p.m. Motion was seconded by Mark Kennedy.

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, February 5, 2015 at 5:00 p.m.

Submitted by,

Laurie Robarge Commissioner