

## May Youth Commission Meeting Minutes – May 20th, 2021

*Attendance:* Chris Streno - Youth Director, David Birtch, Steve Hughes, Mark Leighton, Jerry Warner and Kyle Wilson

*Call to order 6:00pm*

### *I. Old Business*

- Mark Leighton is continuing to gain information on the possibility of building a Recreation Center at the site of the Pierce Creek Community Center
- Mark has reached out to various local companies on the feasibility and potential costs of the project
- Next step would be to set up an exploratory committee with various community stakeholders
- Jackson Park remains in good shape with all fields being used
- The lights and poles at Jackson Park will need to be replaced in the future upon recent inspection
- When the time comes to replace the current lights, the Town would like to get similar lights to those that were put in at the SV football field
- Will explore the possibility of grants that would be available to the Town to offset some of the costs

### *II. New Business*

#### **A. Baseball/Softball**

- At the time of the meeting we are at the halfway point of the softball and baseball season
- Overall no major issues
- There are a total of one-hundred and thirty-four participants:
  - 17 Coach-Pitch Softball
  - 14 Minors Softball
  - 21 Majors Softball
  - 17 Coach-Pitch Baseball
  - 18 Minors Baseball
  - 23 Majors Baseball
  - 24 Tee-Ball
- Tee-Ball has started - players are split up into three rotating groups with two groups playing each other while the third group works on skills and drills
- One problem that has been brought up is the lack of a concession stand at Town Park, especially compared to what is provided at Conklin's Schnurbusch Park
- The absence of a Booster Club is a major hurdle in relation to a concession stand and needs to be focal point for next year prior to the start of the season
- The other concern pointed out was the need for both upper fields having working scoreboards and coaches access to the equipment needed to run the scoreboard for each game on the two upper fields
- A 14U Teener team will be formed made up of TOB, Conklin and Kirkwood players
- Games for the 14U team will be played at River Park
- Uniforms have been ordered
- All-Star tryouts need to take place prior to the conclusion of all leagues

- The dates of potential tournaments for All-Star teams are as follows; Maine Endwell 6/14, Deposit 6/28 or 7/5, UE 7/12 and Sidney 7/19
- Since the TOB will be combining with Conklin for All-Stars, we will need to figure out how the number of players each town is allowed to have and the cost sharing for tournaments

#### **B. Football**

- Meeting of the league took place at the end of March
- Practices will begin on August 2nd
- First game will be August 29th
- The Super Bowl will be October 31st
- Binghamton has joined the league
- Next meeting of the league scheduled for the end of May

*Meeting adjourned at 7:00 - Next meeting scheduled for June 17th @ 6:00*