

## January Youth Commission Meeting Minutes – January 20th, 2022

*Attendance:* Chris Streno - Youth Director, Amy Hanrahan, Steve Hughes, Nicole Kariam, Jessica Upright, Jerry Warner

*Call to order 5:40pm*

### *I. Old Business*

- Basketball went well overall, even with multiple scheduling issues due to COVID
- Some TOB teams will be playing games v. Conklin to finish up their seasons per Conklin's request
- Picture Day for basketball will be scheduled for an early-February Saturday at the High School
- K-2 Skills were unable to meet much in December and January due to the Holiday and COVID - their season will be extended a few weeks to make up for lost sessions

### *II. New Business*

#### **A. Booster Club**

- Amy Hanrahan and Jessica Upright presented to the commission a year in review summary of the Booster Club's financials
- They discussed different ways to keep costs down for concessions by lowering overhead in order to make more revenue for our programs
- One suggestion was to have teams donate items for the concession stands
- Booster Club will need a new tax exempt form for Sam's Club and other retailers since the original one has expired
- Jackson Park concession stand needs to be inspected - main issue is getting someone from the Health Department up there due to the backlog

#### **B. Baseball/Softball**

- Registrations need to be in place by next meeting
- Open gyms can begin in March
- Background checks need to be done - many have expired and we will have new coaches in the upcoming spring season that have not previously done one with the Town
- Since there has been a decrease in teams over the years, the Town will need to make sure they align with Conklin once again to get as many games as possible
- There has been a new push for the Town to affiliate itself with Little League Baseball
- More discussions on any potential change will take place in the near future
- Main fear of the switch is the exclusion of some 6th graders because of the different age restrictions Little League has and loss of ownership in how the league operates
- Mark Leighton looked into the cost of replacing the lights at Jackson Park and was given an estimate of \$500,000
- The scoreboards at Jackson Park need to be fixed or replaced
- Will examine the potential of a business sponsorship on the scoreboard to offset some of the cost

*Meeting adjourned at 6:45 - Next meeting scheduled for February 17th @ 6:00*