

January Youth Commission Meeting Minutes – January 19th, 2023

Attendance: Chris Streno - Youth Director, David Birtch, Steve Hughes, Nicole Kariam, Jerry Warner, Kyle Wilson and Vickie Conklin – Town Board Liaison

Call to order 5:30pm

I. Old Business

- Basketball is going well for both boys and girls overall
- Practices have been taking place at Brookside and the Middle School with no issues
- Most games were played at the Interstate complex in Vestal, along with some games played at Maine-Endwell Middle School and at Highland Park in Endwell
- Hoping to get back the leagues pre-Covid format of games taking place at schools, including our own
- Team pictures will be taken in the cafeteria at Brookside during the week of 1/27
- The regular season ends 2/19
- Some of our teams will be participating in the annual Slim Sylvester Tournament run by the league that officially ends the season
- K-2 Skills & Drills will run through February
- Chris has fielded a couple of complaints about the lack of practice time for some teams, however the Town takes advantage of all the court access the school gives us
- All schools/programs in the area have similar issues since there are multiple teams on various levels needing gym time with only a limited number of gyms
- Will look into possibly getting new jerseys next season that will have the player's name on the back and that they can keep at the end of the season

II. New Business

A. Baseball/Softball

- Baseball/Softball registrations will be ready to be distributed after next month's meeting
- Two new portable mounds were purchased for baseball
- Youth Commission will be starting to recruit coaches
- Would like to have a celebration day sometime in-season when the weather is consistently warmer, instead of the usual opening day festivities, which may include the season pictures
- Streno will be signing a contract with the Binghamton Umpire Association
- There is a need for two new scoreboards for Jackson Park, which would cost around \$5,000 total - hoping that they will be purchased and installed prior to games starting there this season

B. Miscellaneous

- Booster club is going strong and doing a wonderful job providing for the TOB Youth Sports programs

Meeting adjourned at 6:15 - Next meeting scheduled for February 16th @ 5:30pm