

North Hanover Township
 Recreation Advisory Committee
 Minutes of the meeting held February 5, 2013

Present?

Berben	Yes	Quackenboss	Yes
Byles	Yes	DeBaecke	yes
Dittmer	absent		
Fletcher	yes		
Mannuccia	yes		
Morrow	yes		
Tartaglia	excused		

7:40 the meeting was called to order. The minutes of the prior meeting were accepted by a unanimous vote. Chairman Fletcher welcomed Ron DeBaecke to the committee. He also reported that there was interest in joining the committee by a resident on his child's baseball registration form; and John would pursue it. There is a draft of the website available and he is ready to fill in the baseball information submitted last meeting.

Basketball- maybe March 19 or 21 would be best for the recognition, the playoffs begin March 1. There were about 80 players, and just for facts: \$85 per game for referees invoice on the way, there was 1 request for a refund from a person that registered on line, looking into it as we don't have any record of payment.

Soccer: there is 1 damaged goal that Twan will try to repair, or replace the part. The goals that are outside will be moved soon as weather permits. Uniforms were ordered that were needed to fill in.

Baseball/Softball: Opening day 4/6/13 10:15 the week of 4/7 the season opens, Field Cleanup Community Day will be 3/16 if weather does not permit it will be 3/23 Pictures: 4/6 9AM, 9 teams. Easter Egg Hunt will be 3/30
 141 people signed up. Teams: 4 t-ball, 1 wiffle, 4 Rookie Boys, 1 Rookie Girl, 20 minor boys, 8 minor girls, 6 sr boys, 0 sr girls.

They discussed planning different events per field to make it interesting, depending on the number of volunteers, asking coaches to assign someone to help out. Each committee member is asked to suggest one activity that might become part of this years opening day. Currently John and Greg are inspecting equipment and field condition. We already know we need the fence topper, they will try to get the mix in and dumped on the field before clean up day. Uniforms are ok, there were extras from last year. The screens for the backstops are in and need to be attached. We need practice balls for the machine and marking machine.

Non- North Hanover registrants, John suggested it might be easier if we didn't subsidize the non North Hanover residents. John would like a policy.

Discussion: decide each on a needs basis, take them as they sign up and let it be, registrants pay the full price. Maybe regionalized players should pay their own way and pay the registration fee. Question about the insurance coverage

for players through Cal Ripken and Babe Ruth. Basketball, for reference, they don't know that there is coverage through the league for the 7-12 players- they are through North Hanover insurance and that is why the registration on our records is so important.

Twan said he would email the out of town people to be sure they intended to register with us.

Fields- Greg will complete his walk-around list and plan for clean up day. Ron was asked to look over the soccer field and see if any cost effective adjustments can be made. Issues should be brought back to the school.

The township committee will be discussing the grant for the walking trail, playground and engineers letter at the 2/7 meeting.

John reported that he believes there is enough money in the trust account to offer some plans for the future of the sports programs and to be presented to the twp committee.

Sponsorship: the letters went out to potential sponsors, \$1,100 is already received, and 2012 sponsor's signs will be up until 3/13.

Adult Volleyball had 26 people, 2 nets were used last session. It is necessary to implement checking i.d's for residence. With an 8:30 start, it is dark at 9:45 when the games end and the parking lot lights are out by then. Board of Education must be contacted.

Baseball Night: Thunder or Blue Claws. The merits of each were compared resulting in John making a motion: We should increase the subsidy to \$10 for a food and ticket package more costly than last years. The maximum allocation to be \$1,000, for 100 tickets regardless of where we go. Second: Twan, All ayes.

John made the motion to reserve the Blue claws package, second Daren Dogherty, all ayes.

The dates available in the order of preference: Sat 6/1 7:05 game, Sat 5/18 4:05 game, 5/4 game.

No public was present, John made a motion to close the meeting, second Darren, all ayes.