

Sterling Recreation Department
1 Park Street, Sterling, MA 01564
Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, November 18, 2014 – 1835 Town Hall – meeting started 7:20pm

Present: Mark Hryniewicz, Jo-Ann Cummings, Mike Regan, Heidi Grady, Kristen Nelson, Bob Finizio, Kristen Dietel

Not Present: NONE

Review Minutes:

- Review minutes from last meeting- Mark Hryniewicz made a motion to approve, Kristen Nelson 2nd – all approved

Finance Report-

- Kristen made a motion to approve, Heidi Grady 2nd – all approved

Basketball-

- Rule Changes
 - *Div II* – asked to add more time to coach while on the court – could we slow the game down. Conclusion will be to add 1 1-minute time out per half for each team to check in with team. All games will begin at 5 past the hour regardless of situation.
- Update on season
 - 140 players enrolled total
 - Number has decreased from last year.
 - Possibly no draft for Div II next year – coaches would like to rate players and have Rec place on team
- Upcoming Play Nights
 - December 4th at 6pm - both gyms will be used
 - December 5th at 6pm
 - Blind Draft for Div IV
- HS bball program
 - Starts December 1st
 - What can we do to keep highschoolers interested in rec ball?
 - Should we start a more competitive league/ offer refs/ have parents volunteer to coach?
 - Do other towns offer highschool bball programs that we could compete against?
 - Can we look at YMCA programs to compete against?
 - Conclusion – offer a ref for a few nights during the pickup season. High Schoolers may want to compete a few times. Boys/Girls want to play together – pursuing further options for highschoolers – Mark made a motion to offer formulized ref nights during season not to exceed \$200.00 - Jo-Ann 2nd – all approved.

Holiday House Lighting

- If we have anyone sign up – review by December 21st

Discuss options for Rec Management software

- MyRec.com information found in packet. (see attached)
 - Need references from the district in regards to MyRec.com
 - Do they have outlying issues/concerns/helpful information?
 - \$3275.00 plus 3% credit card payment /year
 - Is there a standard SSL certificate or premium? What kind of protection do we get if someone hacks the system, coverage for the town?

- What is the customer service time frame? Do they have a standard FAQ sheet?
- Will have to develop a domain name.
- Kristin will share her log in with us to preview MyRec.com- will send out the link
- Review refund policy for each activity/event
- Set up gotomeeting for a preview of program
 - Kristen Nelson will bring laptop to use projector

Sign warrant and payroll sheets

Old Business:

- Holiday Tree Lighting –
 - Sunday, December 7th at 3:30pm (arrive at 3pm)
 - Jo-Ann will take care of Clearview (donuts, hayrides, cider)
 - The Nelson family will pick up tree and set it up
 - Call Evergreen Farm (pre-cut) Kristin will contact Bill.

Announcements:

Recreation Happenings

- Hauver Family would like to replace all the large basketballs – 28.5 & 29
- Kristin will order pinnies
 - Green/Blue
- Need to look at adding a 7th member to the Recreation Committee
 - Will look to post position for interest.
 - Jo-Ann Cummings is meeting with DPW to see about a vehicle.

Meeting adjourned at 9pm.