

Colebrook Recreation Board Minutes March 2, 2021

Meeting via Zoom conference call (public invited via agenda)

Present: Kim Janak, Roxanne Puhalski, Jon Ferrante, Dave Hotchkiss

Absent: Justin Truskauskas(exc), Katie Martin(exc), Chris Waring

1. **Called to order** at 6:32 p.m
2. **Public comment/correspondence** – received letter from Connecticut Recreation & Parks Association about free year membership. Board decided not to join.
3. **February Minutes** – Motion to approve by Dave, Roxanne 2nd. Motion approved
4. **Recreation finances**- no change
5. **Basketball** – Kim to contact Beth after March announcement from state regarding Covid protocols and sports gatherings
6. **Baseball** – Registrations: Dave said only 6 thus far. Norfolk numbers also low. There were no softball registrations. Other towns sent out registrations for season as well.
-Fees – yearly dilemma as nearby town only charges \$20 per player as others charge up to \$175 per player as own sports entities with no Recreation Dept.
MOTION to waive fees this year to encourage registrations. Kim 1st, Rox 2nd. Motion passed
-Billboard advertisements at field- Dave took one sign down as out of business. Kim will update donation request letters and send out.
7. **Zoom event**: Kim asked Board to be sure of presence on 3/20 to help with students names/attendance. Beth Driscoll suggested changes to flyer. Question about whether to advertise Zoom link or to ask parents to email and send link to guarantee privacy. Jon suggested to create Colebrook Recreation email so not using personal one and can keep listing of families who contact us so can email blast about upcoming events and sport seasons instead of counting on school to send. Jon created Colebrook Recreation email: Colebrookrec@yahoo.com
8. **Fish derby**- Jon to connect with Katie to create flyers for May 1 or 2nd as awaiting state announcement of maximum number for gatherings outside at end of March. Plan all aspects of derby at next meeting.
9. **New Business**- Rox said friend suggested to host an outside scavenger hunt to visit landmarks in Colebrook. Discussion about where and how to make fun so people participate. Event named: “10 spots for a 10 spot!” Kids/families to take pictures next to all landmarks on list created and to be verified by Board for a \$10 gift certificate to the Colebrook Store per family. MOTION made by Dave to approve funds, Rox 2nd (Estimated cost: \$500 if 50 families in town participate.) Motion passed. Board members to suggest landmarks for hunt.
10. **Adjournment**– Kim adjourned at 7:32, Jon 2nd. Next meeting, April 6th at 6:30 p.m.