

The minutes of the March 1, 2021 meeting of the East Longmeadow Recreation Department

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by Tom Kaye, Chairperson.

Roll Call: Nancy Roberts, Tom Kaye, Jessica Stacy, Don LePage, Dan Reynolds, Mike Gaudette, Erin Bailey, Robin Peloquin, Geordie Emmanuel (associative director), Donna Prather (recreation director)

Guest : Joe Williams (baseball association)

The minutes from the February 8, 2021 meeting were approved (8-0) as amended.

Director's Report

Spring and summer signups have begun

Soccer is still looking for players

LAX and softball are full

No recreational soccer

Basketball teams may scrimmage other teams, must notify rec. dept

Bethany Yeo (town planner) is working on a grant that helps assess the town's needs including recreational needs

Public swim availability at Pine Knoll may be in jeopardy due to camp, Marlins and swim lessons. The high school is unavailable after 4:00 due to the janitors work schedule

Associative Director's Report

Spring brochure is online, summer brochure will be released on 3/5/21

Summer registration begins at 9:00AM on March 16, 2021

Parents/ guardians need to create a MyRec account and pay all balances before registering for program

Teen Adventure Camp has been moved to the High School

Monday will be activities at the High School, off site field trips on Tuesday through Thursday, Friday is Pine Knoll Camp day

Applications for summer employment need to be in by 4:00PM on March 19, 2021. Positions will begin to be filled on March 22, 2021

Swim lessons will begin March 20, 2021 at the high school

Working on presenting a tutorial on how to work with MyRec

A Farmer's Market will be held once a month (May-October) from 2-7PM in Center Field. Accepting vendor applications.

Soccer registration have been extended to March 14, 2021. Boys U8, girls U14 need players. Working on combining U13-U14

Association Reports

Softball (Erin Bailey) The start date has been pushed out to the middle of May and will end in mid-July. Indoor practices start March 7, 2021 at ROOTS in East Longmeadow. U12 and U14 need coaches.

Football/Cheerleading (Tom Kaye) association meeting on March 9, 2021

CPC (Tom Kaye) Approval of Pine Knoll Playground is on the March 4, 2021 meeting agenda

ELF (Jessica Stacy) Organization plan has been filed. Board members are Jessica Stacy (president), Dan Bean (vice president), Scott Roberts (secretary). The position of treasury is open.

Baseball (Joe Williams) Sign-ups are ongoing, U8 is full, 7/8 has a waitlist
Association meeting on March 21, 2021

Pinto and T-Ball teams need coaches

Spring evaluations are March 27, 2021, 1-7PM at the high school gym

Baseball and Softball coaches clinic with Powerhouse on April 10, 2021
Baseball website is eastlongmeadowbaseball.org

Old Business

Cost estimate for Center Field Lighting to light all three field is \$725,000 with a 25-year warranty

New Business

Take away from the February 12, 2021 Vision Meeting pertaining to recreation
Development of the Heritage Park plan
Brown Farm property is under utilized
The town needs a recreation center
Form a Park and Recreation Dept for field maintenance

A subcommittee with Donna Prather, Kevin McLoughlin and Jessica Stacy will work to prioritize the recreational needs of the town

The exit plan for the ice rink is it will be dismantled on March 20, 2021 at 11:00AM. It will be stored at Brown Farm building. Commission requested a count of how many participants registered to skate in lesson, hockey clinic and free skate time

A motion was made by Tom Kaye and seconded by Nancy Roberts to adjourn at 7:12PM. The next meeting will be on Monday, March 29, 2021 at 6:00PM via ZOOM.

