



Richmond Recreation Committee

Meeting Minutes

February 15, 2022, 6:00 PM

via Zoom

Present: Jeff Konowitch, Chair; Doug Bruce; Mike Harke.

Jeff opened the meeting at 6:33 pm.

- Minutes from the January 17, 2021 meeting were approved unanimously.

Tennis/pickleball court repair and alteration:

Jeff will meet with Town and Adeline Ellis to discuss the project on March 1.

The Town may place on the Town Meeting warrant an article allowing non-residents to use the courts (possibly only applicable to West Stockbridge residents).

Ellis intends to fundraise \$4,000 more for the project. The Recreation Committee will not have a role in fundraising.

Gym scheduling:

RCS has allowed the use of the gym by non-school users to resume, subject to masking restrictions. All groups returned, including the youth basketball program sponsored by the Rec Committee.

The gym is not available on Thursday evenings because the RCS Jazz Band uses the gym on Friday morning.

A 16-18 year-old basketball program is seeking gym time.

Financials:

Jeff reported that there is no substantial change from last month.

\$3,750 from FY '21 (allocated to tennis court repairs)

\$3,750 from FY '22

\$4,556.93 in the Committee's revolving account

A deposit of receipts from the basketball program will occur this month.

The \$3,750 from FY '21 should be spent before the end of June 2022.

Snowshoe race:

Doug explained that he could not organize the event as promised. Hopefully another year the event can occur.

Table tennis tournament:

Proposed for the evening of April 8.

\$5/person with a max of \$15/family. The option of allowing young kids for free is under consideration.

Richmond running race:

The event was last held in June 2018 at Colonial Acres. Rick Saupe organized the successful event. A Saturday morning in June is being considered. Jeff will ask Rick if is interested in helping organize the event.

Youth basketball:

Jeff met with Erika Dubis, the coach of the junior group. She reports 6 kids are participating.

Doug reported that the senior group (coached by Pat and Errin Roney) had 5 kids recently, including one of the juniors who joined the "big" kids.

Website:

The Town Administrator has not responded to requests for assistance. The Committee will consider creating its own website out the annual budget.

Annual report:

Jeff will write the report and forward to the Committee for comment.

Open Space:

The Committee discussed the recent hearings and proposed zoning bylaw changes in relation to recreational use of open space.

Next meeting: Tuesday, March, 8 6:30 pm, via Zoom.

Minutes prepared by Doug Bruce, 2/25/2022