

**TOWN OF BRATTLEBORO
RECREATION & PARKS DEPARTMENT
BOARD MEETING
December 11, 2017**

The Brattleboro Recreation & Parks Board met on Monday, December 13, 2017 at the Gibson Aiken Center.

Attending Board Members: Ricky Davidson, Bethany Ranquist, Jessica Gould, Conor Floyd and Bill Willson.

Attending Staff members: Director, Carol Lolatte and Administrative Assistant Kim Isaacsen.

Agenda Adjustment: None

Public Participation: None

Minutes: Motion to approve the November 13, 2017 minutes was made by Jessica Gould and seconded by Bill Wilson by a vote of 5-0 the November minutes were approved.

OLD BUSINESS

DOG PARK/SKATEPARK UPDATE: The BASIC Committee is still working on fundraising.

The Dog Park is closed for the season. A ribbon cutting will be scheduled when the park reopens in the spring.

WEST RIVER PARK UPDATE: The Park has been closed for the winter. The Board will schedule a final meeting after the park opens in the spring.

NEW BUSINESS

SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES:

- This week the Senior Center will be holding the annual cookie swap and the December Birthday Celebration.
- On December 21st Senator Sanders will host a Holiday Meal for the seniors.
- The Foot Care Clinic provider George Largo has decided to retire, the services will continue to be provided by a nurse from VT/NH VNA.
- Program attendance for pickleball, line dancing and The Great Course is increasing.
- Jessy is planning the Annual Last Night Celebration potluck with live music.

PROGRAM REPORT:

- Basketball information:

- Kindergarten Basketball has 18 participants and will start January 8th.
- Co-Ed Basketball (1st & 2nd grade) has 42 participants with 5 teams.
- 3rd & 4th Grade Boys Basketball has 29 participants with 4 teams.
- 3rd & 4th Grade Girls Basketball has 16 participants with 2 teams.
- 5th & 6th Grade Boys Basketball has 45 participants with 4 teams.
- 5th & 6th Grade Girls Basketball has 20 participants with 2 teams.

Gymnastics:

- Currently has 116 participants enrolled in 11 classes and 45 participants in team and pre-team.
- The Gymnastics Team will be holding a Holiday Exhibition on December 22nd & 23rd, this event will help support the upper level team girls who are attending a competition in Florida during the February vacation.
- **Adult and Evening programing:**
 - Zumba has had 36 participants.
 - Badminton has had 16 participants.
 - Volleyball has had 21 participants.
 - Pickleball has had 14 participants.
 - Table Tennis has had 26 participants.
- Daily Open Gym and Game room are being well attended.
- Parent-tot/Open Gym have 5-20 participants per day.
- Men's League Basketball has 17 teams and games started November 30th.
- Women's League Basketball has 4 teams and games started November 28th.
- The Annual Santa's visit was held on December 2nd over 110 participants.
- **Nelson Withington Skating Facility:**
 - Dollar day visits: 258
 - Residents student visits: 535
 - Resident adult visits: 173
 - Non Resident student visits: 37
 - Non Resident adult visits: 49
 - Senior visits: 52
 - Resident stick time visits: 63
 - Non Resident stick time visits: 19
 - Skate Rentals: 553
 - Speed Skating: 8

CAPTIAL IMPROVMENTS:

- Gibson Aiken Center Windows – There are 7 windows left in the Senior Center to complete.
- Pool Project – The pool deck has been covered in plastic to protect it from damage over the winter, as recommended by Steve Horton.

CAROL'S VACATION: Carol will be on vacation in Ireland from December 20th – January 4th.

17/18 BUDGET: The 2017/18 budget has been level funded and Carol attended a budget meeting on December 2nd.

FYI UPDATE:

- The cemeteries have been closed until spring.
- There was a water main break last week at Living Memorial Park.
- The carpets in the Senior Center were cleaned on December 8th.
- Jessy needed to have her computer replaced, some funds from the Ray Riddle Trust were used to help off-set the cost of the new computer.
- Some of the Disc Golf baskets have been removed for winter activities to begin at the park, the baskets will be replaced in the spring.
- The Bachelor did not use our facilities for filming.

NEXT MEETING: The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, January 8th at 6:15p.m.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion to adjourn by Jessica Gould, 2nded by Bethany Ranquist at 6:50 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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