CHAPLIN RECREATION COMMISSION Regular Meeting Minutes November 16, 2023

Chair Dave Stone called the meeting to order at 6:02 PM. Attendees: Monica Arbo (Secretary), Amie Kraemer (Treasurer) and Danny Cates.

2. Audience for Citizens: None

3. Additions to Agenda:

- Motion to add 7b Cornhole, made by Dave Stone, seconded by Amie Kraemer and carried unanimously.
- Motion to add 8b Soccer, made by Dave Stone, seconded by Danny Cates and carried unanimously.
- Motion to add 7c Shuffleboard and 7d Pickleball, made by Dave Stone, seconded by Monica Arbo and carried unanimously.

4. Secretary's Report:

Motion to table approval of the minutes, made by Monica Arbo, seconded by Dave Stone and carried unanimously.

5. Treasurer's Report:

General Fund - \$6,893.05 as of 11/7/2023

Special Revenue - \$9,474.62 as of 11/7/2023 (reach out to sponsors of the balloon).

- Dave Stone attended the Board of Finance meeting to address the budget being about \$800 less than last year (they felt it was an error). Will meet with the Finance Manager to request additional funds with supporting evidence for initial request of \$1.400 (\$2,000 increase in one line and reductions in other lines).
- Received payment from most of the 3/4/5/6 boys and half of the girls.

6. Membership: No Report

7. Activities:

a. Disc Golf Tournament: Will be held the Saturday after Thanksgiving.

b. Cornhole:

The turf needs to be put away with the Fall League ending. The Winter League is looking for a start date after the holidays (run for maximum of 12 weeks starting January 3rd).

Motion to charge \$5 per player per night, made by Dave Stone, seconded by Danny Cates and carried unanimously.

Payouts will be determined after the schedule is finalized. Will brainstorm fundraising for the boards at the next meeting.

c. Shuffleboard:

Requests received for Shuffleboard (Dave suggested doing an exploratory open night at the Senior Center - could tape out a portion for the court or do a vinyl rollout that would cost about \$2,000). Amie Kraemer suggested sending out a questionnaire for interest (would be a good tournament). Monica Arbo suggested a survey on the Facebook Page (will add a link).

d. Pickleball:

Many requests received for Pickleball currently used by the seniors in the Senior Center community room (Dave suggested doing an exploratory open night (equipment is privately owned) and purchasing a new net for everyone in town to use. Monica Arbo suggested doing a survey for data on whether to promote

(will do a survey for new sports opportunities for Chaplin residents – Shuffleboard, Pickleball and any other interests).

8. Sports

a. Basketball:

7/8 Girls (2 teams) are going to the Hebron League that includes Ashford – starts December 2nd (Chaplin League doesn't have enough teams to support 7/8 Girls).

- Amie Kraemer suggested pushing for team sponsors for shirts next year with local businesses.
- Dave Stone suggested creating a Little League Sub-Committee for next year to manage the program (open to Hampton and Scotland and invite parents to be on it).

Clinics for the littles will be held after the season ends.

b. Soccer:

Proposal received from Coach Paradis to run Indoor Soccer (\$525) - 6 weeks starting January 7th. Registrations will go out after Thanksgiving (Amie will be the go-to person).

- Motion to approve \$525 for Indoor Soccer, made by Danny Cates, seconded by Amie Kraemer and carried unanimously.
- Motion to charge \$30 for Chaplin Residents and \$40 for out-of-town residents for Indoor Soccer, made by Monica Arbo, seconded by Dave Stone and carried unanimously.

Amie Kraemer suggested bulk order of shirts with one design and one color for multiple sports (will check on qty of shirts remaining).

Motion to pre-approve up to \$1,500 from Special Revenue for multi-sport shirts, made by Monica Arbo, seconded by Amie Kraemer and carried unanimously.

9. Building & Field:

Dave Stone noted the need for mice repellent and more storage totes.

- Motion to spend up to \$150 from the General Fund for electronic mice deterrents, made by Dave Stone, seconded by Danny Cates and carried unanimously.
- Motion to spend up to \$500 from the General Fund for storage totes, made by Monica Arbo seconded by Amie Kraemer and carried unanimously.
- Working on quote for turning bathroom locks.
- The ice rink was in good shape when put away.

10. Darlin Pond Fishery:

Motion to table Darlin Pond Fishery, made by Monica Arbo, seconded by Dave Stone and carried unanimously.

11. Second Audience for Citizens: None

12. Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn (7:06 PM) made by Dave Stone, seconded by Monica Arbo and carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by Kathleen Scott, Recording Clerk