

**HOPKINTON RECREATION DEPARTMENT
MEETING MINUTES 11/30/2011
APPROVED**

Attending: Jessica, Louise, Vernon, Steve, Mark, Justin, Jim, Ed and Ann

Guest: Patrice

The Meeting was called to order at 6:30pm.

The minutes from the October meeting were accepted.

Business: A Skate Park Committee will be formed to work on issues, problems and solutions. Steve Chamberlain will be on the committee and will get a couple of teachers and students. Meetings will be scheduled for after the holidays. The BOS did not accept the CIP for the Skate Park.

The Recreation Committee CIP fund will be used to replace items such as picnic tables, etc. The Board of Selectmen were happy to hear that the Summer Camp program is now self-sufficient. They did cut a portion from the budget for lifeguard wages. 75% of the training budget was cut. Louise suggests that Justin let Chris Lawless know that this cut will include the lifeguard summer training.

There will not be a December meeting. Justin will be out of town the last two weeks of December.

Updates:

Justin had lots of good feedback on the Halloween Hollar Event. The mummy wrap does not need to be scheduled at certain times. Next year it should not be a contest.

Working with the PTA was fine although next year we should make sure that all the members know when they should arrive for the event. Ed gave Justin a DVD of pictures. The Donuts on a String were a big hit. The Carriage Rides were awesome.

Next year we should have a person manage the waiting line. We should invite Smokey the Bear back.

Community Dances: Justin did a Community Dance in November which was a success. 40 People attended. The Let's Dance Studio was great. We will do a Ballroom Dance in February or March.

The Gingerbread House Decorating was sold out this year. We had 25 houses.

Breakfast with Santa is scheduled for December 11th, be there at 6AM. We plan to have real silverware this year rolled up in napkins. Mark will get the sausage and we will cook the bacon in the oven. The giveaways this year are bendable elves and snowmen which we will put in a big basket next to Santa.

Santa Calling now has 20 kids signed up. It is scheduled for Tuesday December 14th from 5:30-8pm.

The Holiday Lights is scheduled for December 15 but as of yet no one has signed up.

Hip Hop Dance Class will be on January 10-March 31st. There will be an instructor from New York leading the group which will be 10 classes for \$75.00.

Justin is working with Lee from the Library on the Music/Movie series. The first movie is scheduled for Jan 21st. The second is February 18th and the last is March 18th. All of them run from 6:30-8:30.

Justin went to the Entertainer Showcase and found some great acts.

Gazebo Music Event will be held in April or May. We can try to get a few local groups.

The Easter Egg Hunt will be on Saturday April 16th.
Disney Princess on Ice Program is scheduled for February 5th at 10AM.
The POP Ski Program will be in February at Pats Peak.
Steve had asked about doing another Community Breakfast.

The meeting adjourned at 7:50pm.