

## **MASSENA JOINT RECREATION COMMISSION**

### **MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 12th, 2019 MEETING**

Dave MacLennan called the regular monthly meeting of the Joint Recreation Commission to order at 3:00 pm at the Massena Arena, on Tuesday November 12, 2019. In attendance were: John Horan and Gary Gushlaw. John Meddings and George Hammill were not present. Town Liaison Al Nicola was present, with no members of the press at hand.

A motion was made by John Horan to accept the minutes of the previous meeting. Seconded by Gary Gushlaw and approved by all.

#### **MOTION CARRIED.**

#### **FINANCIAL REPORT** – Mike McCabe

Everyone had, on hand, a copy of the financial report as well as the breakdown in revenues for the month of November:

- Beach Fees- Up \$50 for the month. Down \$400 for the year to date. We received a late payment for bus parking. With how bad the weather was in June, I am glad we are only down \$400.
- Softball Fees- Up \$440 on the month. Down \$1,000 for the year to date. We are still owed \$335 in light fees from MAA. Our total year to date will down to near \$650 once that payment is received.
- Arena Ice Fees- We are up for both the year & month \$2,000. We are off to a good start.
- Rec Skating- Up \$700 for the month & year to date. We have had a very busy arena.
- Non -Ice Fees – Down \$300 for the month. Down \$8,200 for the year to date. The loss of lacrosse and all the projects we have had going on contribute to the dip in these numbers significantly.
- Advertising – Up \$1500 for the month. This leaves us up \$350 for the year to date. This number should continue to go up for the year to date.
- Commissions- Up \$150 for the month. Down \$200 on the year to date. This only has to do with timing of the deposits. This number will go up by the end of this year.
- Concessions – We are up \$2700 for the month. This brings the year to date up \$1000.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

**MMHA Hockey School**- This was held the first two weeks we had ice. We had 18 sessions. MMHA creates some additional income and warmed up the kids for our upcoming Hockey Season.

**Dropping the Gloves on Cancer Tournament** – October 18<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> . Six teams participated in this event. We had two teams that came from out of town. This event uses \$1000 worth of ice time. They are interested in continuing this event again next year. Events like this help with diversity on our ice rentals

**Mite Jamboree**- This was held on 10/26 from 8am-5pm. We had teams as far away as Sara-Placid, Tupper Lake, and the Thousand Islands. Four teams are on the ice at all times. The concession stand also did very well at this event, lots of kids! We are hosting a Mite Tournament in February and it is already sold out with 28 teams! I had to book 3 hours of ice in Louisville to accommodate the massive turnout of this tournament. Payments have already been received to reserve spots.

**Battle of the Border Peewee Tournament** – We had 11 teams turn out for this event. We had at least one Canadian team in each division. Games were close and skill level were nicely matched.

**Entrance Door Project**- The project did not start as planned on the 1<sup>st</sup> of November. Northern Glass will be here on the 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> to complete the doors. We will have that area blocked off for everyone's safety.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

**Battle of the Border Squirt Tournament** – We will host this event on November 15-17. We will have 4 teams in the A Division and 6 in the B Division. We have two teams from Plattsburgh, and then teams from South Stormont, Malone and Potsdam. Each team gets to play four games and concession will do well during this event.

**Rock & Skates**- We are running Rock & Skates every two weeks right now and have had great success! We have made more than \$1000 at each of the three we have hosted thus far. Our last session had 230 attendees! I have ordered another dozen skates to up our inventory and availability.

**Holiday Ice Sponsors** - Letters have been put together and are going out today. Liberty Utilities (formerly St. Lawrence Gas/Enbridge) has already committed with the initial email they requested. The Massena Chamber will do an email blitz to all their members to help us spread the word about the sponsorship potential. I will be meeting with Curt Wood this week to make a poster of upcoming public skating times & dates.

**Appointment of Budget/Nominating Committee**- Dave MacLennan appointed John Horan & Gary Gushlaw to the Budget Committee. The Director was asked to contact George Hammill & John Meddings as they have been appointed to the Nominating Committee in their absence.

The next meeting will be December 10<sup>th</sup> @ 3pm at the Massena Arena.

Motion to adjourn was made to go into Executive Session by Gary Gushlaw, seconded by John Horan.

**MOTION CARRIED.**