Groton Little League Meeting of February 15, 2022

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 PM.

Present were: Danielle Daniels, Dave Franco, Bobby Gonzales, Jerry Hayter, Rhiannon Krekeler, Annmarie Nix, Jennifer Tetreault, Joshua Trask, Katie Trask, Ali Williams

Via phone: Katie Ilvento, Gabe Muscella

Also present were: Nathan Krekeler, Barbara Lewis, Ryan Nix

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Presidents Report: Rhiannon reported that we have received the first half of the CT grant (\$7500), we expect the other half to be received after uniforms are purchased and the receipt has been submitted.

Total registration for spring is currently at 73 players. A table event was suggested and boosting registration on Facebook was discussed.

New Business:

1. Pictures

We have received a quote from Kosman Design who has done our pictures in the past. He is available on May 1st. We will explore other photographers and make a final decision next month.

2. Opening Day

E-mails have been sent out to the Parks & Rec. Dept., Fire Department, and Police Department for our Opening Day Ceremony scheduled for April 23rd.

3. 4th of July Parade

We have contacted Parks & Rec. to let them know we are interested in being in the parade and they will provide more information as it becomes available.

4. Cleanup Day for Calvin Burrows

We have reached out to Mark Berry requesting permission to paint and clean up Calvin Burrows. Someone will need to meet with him to coordinate painting and volunteers. Katie Trask and Danielle Daniels will lead this. April 2nd & 3rd were set as clean up dates.

5. Scheduling Ledge Light Inspection

The Ledge Light inspection will be the week after cleanup at burrows.

6. Combined Teams Form

It's looking like Mystic will combine teams at the senior level with Stonington. Mystic will push Groton kids back to play with Groton vs playing with Mystic but the final decision lies with Mystic.

7. Closing Day

We are looking to set a date and start planning so we don't run out of time and pavilion space. June 11 was tentatively set as a date.

Old Business:

1. Update on Memorial Plaque

We need more details on the size of the plaque we'd like and the location of where to place it. Different locations were discussed along with how many names we want to be able to add. Dave Franco volunteered to lead this.

2. Update on Burrows Improvements

The Town has begun some improvements at Calvin Burrows including fixing the hole in wall, replacing the damaged wood under the sink. We have also updated them on the status of the dugout's roof.

Open Discussion:

Joshua Trask, Safety Officer, discussed the annual facility inspection, signs for dugouts and concessions, as well as needing a list of coaches for CPR training. He noted that there will be new safety protocols put into place this year to keep the concession stand running smoothly. No

children will be allowed in without a parent. There will also be a binder with safety information for those running the stand.

Barbara Lewis, ROL Farm, addressed the Board offering to sponsor a team in exchange for bringing her horses and carriage to the closing day ceremonies and allowing the players and their families to take rides. She will provide her own banner. The board discussed options and offered opinions on how to handle this and any other business that might request smiller. Rhiannon will look into insurance issues and we will make a final decision on this at the next meeting.

A Groton Bowling Center fundraiser was discussed. More information will be gathered and discussed at a future time.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting, motion made by Danielle Daniels, seconded by Ann Nix. Meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm.