

## September 2015 Minutes

Mathews Little League Board of Directors

Date: 9/14/15 Time: 7:05pm Place: Ruratin Club

Members in attendance: Richard, Shelby, Ryder, Tom, Charles, Cathy, Tricia, Chris, Heather, Dawn, JJ

Not in attendance- Steve Robert Wayne has resigned Guest's: Robin, Melissa, Vicki, Carey

Tom approved last meetings notes and 2nd by Cathy.

1- Cathy reviewed finical report. Loan payment is due Oct., she would like to ask for \$6,00 to be added for the loan. Board approved the money. Robin suggested that we approach the Board of Supervisors for some help with the light loan. Discussion will be tabled for another meeting.

2- Voting- Ryder reports that 35 votes have been received so far with approval for the board members. The new laws and constitution changes have been approved, will still need about 15 more votes to complete

3- Plaque- Per Dawn, the plaque should be ready by next week.

4- Fall Ball- Robin & Melissa report that we have 63 kids, 2 coach pitch, 2 softball combined with minors and major girls, and 1 minor boys team. There will be 21 home games, and they will play with Lancaster and Northumberland. Robin will send schedules to Tom, Chris, and Richard for umpire times.

5- Equipment- Chris reports all materials are back but maybe 2 people who are still using it.

6- Facility update- Richard reports the ice machine has been worked on 2 times now. He is looking into getting a new machine, but getting a smaller one then we have now. We will be having a work day on 10/31 starting around 9am. We will be closing up the park and winterizing some of the equipment.

Thinks we have enough chalk to last us thru fall ball. CW Hudgins and another person donated a pipe for the ditch on the 3rd base side of the t-ball field. They will also donate the dirt for this to be put in.

7- Proposed Projects- Review of email Tom sent to the board with pictures , and cost of items.

1-gates- Original quote was \$1700 to fix and replace gates, plus section of the fence on the boys field.

2- bleachers- Ebay has plenty of options on what to get. They take about 1 ½ weeks for delivery. Talking about getting 2 sets, one for each side of the t-ball field. And move wooden benches to another area. Prices range on what size we are willing to get. If purchased and delivered by work day we will put them together then.

3-tables- Possibly getting 10 tables, and placing cable around new ones so they can't be moved. Taking apart the ones that are breaking will be during work day.

5-groomer- Depending on level or refurbished , cost can be from \$6500 to \$8500. If we decide on this, Tom is willing to drive to Ga to pick up.

Open discussion on what should be done..... what was proposed

- 1- Taking care of the gates should be done asap. Heather 2nd, all board agreed.
- 2- Bleacher for both sides, possible 3 rows of seats should be bought. Cathy 2nd all board agreed.
- 3- New tables will be done at another time, but broken ones will be broken down.
- 4- Getting new netting for the batting cage with back stops, not to go over price of \$1500. Tricia 2nd, all in favor.

Richard suggested helmet cubbys for the fields. Thinks they may runn about \$400-\$500 a piece.

5-Cathy proposed instead of getting groomer, using \$6000 to go toward principle on our loan. Charles and Dawn 2nd, all in favor.

8- End of year- Tom encourages new members to think of what you want to do in the coming year. And remind them all new, and old members are always around for help if needed.

Members stepping down will be: Steve, Tom, Cathy, Heather, & Shelby. We wish you all the best of luck

9- Charles has asked board for permission for local travel ball team to use the fields during the day. Most of the members will be Mathews kids. Heather stated we need to put in out by-laws what we will allow for field usage. Motion was put that we allow a 13u boys, and 14u girls team use the field during day as long as it doesn't interfere with regular little league play. And not use the lights.

Heather 2nd, all in favor.

Meeting closed at 8:45 by Tom, Heather 2nd.

Next meeting will be 10/5 at 7pm