

Tamworth Outing Club minutes, September 28, 2020

Present (at Runnells Hall):

Board Members: Robbie Farnum, Kathi Brown, Carolyn Hemingway, Kent Hemingway, Brian Cutter, Mark Fournier, Anne Chant, Suzanne Morgan, Amy Berrier, Kit Morgan, Barb Bloomberg, Teresa Fournier, & Wyatt Berrier.

This meeting was called to order at 7:15.

Secretary's Report: The July and Annual Meeting minutes were both accepted.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer's report was approved. Discussion of the application for TOC's non-profit renewal. This needs some clarification. Brian asked about money remaining in the ski program account. Discussion about funding options for this year's ski program (if there is one).

Annual Appeal:

Carolyn will report at our next meeting about how many new and renewing members signed on through our recent appeal. Kathi provided a spreadsheet showing annual mailing cost/income breakdown for the last five annual appeals:

Name	Income	Supplies	Postage	Net Income
16-17 Membership	2610.00	122.35	94.00	2393.65
17-18 Membership	2090.00	264.47	147.00	1678.53
18-19 Membership	2555.00	335.34	150.00	2069.66
19-20 Membership	2705.00	175.62	198.00	2331.38
20-21 Membership	3745.00	850.83	259.56	2634.61

Halloween:

Robbie led the discussion about Halloween plans. The pumpkin carving will be held early in the day. Barb will enquire about pumpkins at Remick Farm. Amy will ask at Moulton Farm. It was noted that there will be no One Stop Trick-or-Treating at Brett School this year. Robbie will send out an email about Halloween plans and a sub-committee will meet (*Note: this group has met twice so far and plans are coming together for pumpkin carving at 1:30 on History Center lawn, followed by T-or-T in Tamworth Village, starting at 4:30. Please let Amy know*

ASAP if you would like to volunteer at pumpkin carving and/or trick-or-treating. More details soon!)

Adopt-a-Highway:

Meet at Rutabega Studio parking lot at 7:30 AM on Saturday, 10/17. *Note: This was rescheduled to 10/24, due to rainy weather.*

Baseball Program:

Board approved a request of \$1,000 from the Town for the baseball program. Kent reviewed the baseball program (no TOC sponsorship) that was held this summer. Brett School fields were used. Jim Hidden worked with the MWV Bulldogs, part of a regional program for 13-15-year-old boys. As part of this discussion, Kent also brought up the fact that the Tamworth Recreation Department is now gone (*see notes below*).

Tennis-Plus Program:

Kent described the Advantage Kids Tennis & Yoga program that he and Carolyn have been involved with. This is a Covid-compliant program which includes tennis and yoga instruction for disadvantaged kids in New Hampshire. There is a 5-1 instructor-kid ratio. Kent proposed that we use \$770 in the Dana Steele Memorial Fund to sponsor Tamworth children in this program. A motion to do this was made and approved by the board.

Tower-to-Town Trail:

Discussion of renewing landowner permission for this trail.

Non-Profit Filing:

An invoice has been received from Cooper Cargill Chant for them to be the TOC's "Principal Office" for non-profit filing. Board discussed whether or not we need to pay them for this service. More info is needed to decide.

Stan's Bench:

Nancy Coville and other family members have been seen at the bench several times. Sheldon received an appreciative letter from Nancy, which he shared with the board via email.

Other Business:

Further discussion about the demise of the Tamworth Rec Program. Suzanne emphasized that any future program needs to include offerings for kids and adults. Board feels that there should be an advisory committee with representatives from TOC, WODC, libraries, etc. Kent plans to make a proposal at Town Meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 8:27 PM.

Next meeting is October 26, 7:15, at Runnells Hall.

Minutes submitted by Amy Berrier