May General Board Meeting Minutes – Wednesday May 7, 2025 – 8pm

Coom's Corner

Call to Order 8:07pm

Board Attendees:

Jim Mottola – President

Bill Honiotes – Vice President

John Karas – Treasurer

Brian Shim – Rec Director

Jon Blaisdell - Travel Director

Nicole Heine – Communications/Events Director

Colleen Karas – Secretary

Meeting Notes:

President submitted 5 year Capital Request package to the Park District listing the many needs and upgrades that would be beneficial to bettering the program. This packet details the current state of the Lockport Baseball program and its finances. It also includes the many fixes regarding power, fencing, lighting and ADA compliances that are on the horizon, in order to move the program forward. Additionally, some betterment items were listed including community batting cages and concession stand upgrades.

Rec All Star tournament to be held July 10-14. Sign ups and uniform ordering are next up to move forward.

Fall Ball season registration to be opened in June. Start of the season to be pushed up to better coincide with the school year start.

Financial Report by treasurer detailing current balances along with upcoming invoices.

Player Appreciation Day scheduled for June 7th. Suggested new vendor for bounce house/water slide. Add dunk tank. LBB to provide hot dog/chip tickets to each player on that day through PM concessions. Additional help needed for this day.

President suggesting establishing LBB scholarship program – no objections. Parameters to be defined soon.

Communications Director to be set up for Lockport Community Day along with President/VP to help promote the program. Also Movie Night, The Sandlot, to be set May 23. Kona Ice to be at the park.

Slammers day – June 8th Canal Days parade – June 7th Candy to be purchased to distribute at the parade.

Player of the Week – submitted by all Rec/Travel coaches has been a positive promotion.

Travel Director report on SnakePit Showdown shows most all levels full. Rings ordered. Reset travel team fees for 2026 due to rise in uniform pricing also discussed.

Rec Director report highlights the need for consistency in tee hitting vs. coach pitch in Shetland/Maverick. All coaches will be informed on the decided upon rules.

Motion to adjourn 9:53 JM/ second by JK