The Old Orchard Beach Ballpark Commission Meeting Minutes January 19, 2017 Old Orchard Beach High School Library

Attendees: Chair Jerome Plante, Victor Gould, Jr., John Gallo, Robin Dayton, Bob Rings (skype), Ballpark Manger Guy Fontaine, Field Manager Jim Doran, Kerstin Keshner, President, Friends of the Ballpark, Councilor, Mike Tousignant.

Call to Order: Chairman Plante opened the meeting at 6:10 pm The Commissioners proceeded to take each of the agenda items in order as follows:

- 1. Meeting Minutes: The meeting minutes of December 16, 2016 were unanimously accepted.
- 2. The Commissioners accepted by unanimous vote the resignation of member Deborah Kulacz with deep regret and sincere thanks for her service to the Old Orchard Beach Community.
- 3. The Commissioners elected new officers in the order below with a separate and unanimous vote for each position.
 - Chair, Jerome Plante
 - Vice Chair, Robin Dayton with added responsibility to perform the duties of Secretary as well until a new member can be elected to assume the Secretary's duties.
 - Financial Liaison John Gallo
- 4. The Commissioners discussed with action the special event permit for the BBQ Championship for the next three years. Town Councilor Mike Tousignant explained to the Commissioners what the permit entailed. The Commissioners approved the special event permit by unanimous vote for the BBQ Championship with a two year advance payment of \$500.00 dollars and an obligation to install electricity in the field using existing conduit by June 1st. Further, the parties involved with the permit agreed to remove in the Spring, the trailers that have been stored in the ballpark parking.
- 5. The Ballpark Manager, Guy Fontaine provided his report and reviewed the monthly financial status. Guy reported that he has discussed contracts for 3 AAU teams. The Town Council Resolution stalled due to medical leave of the Town Manager. Guy also discussed the potential for a Saturday farmers market in the ballpark parking lot.
- 6. The Field Manager, Jim Doran provided a short report as its cold, no one is playing, and the field is frozen! Jim discussed the need for new, "L" safety screens for the batting cages. The Commissioners suggested that we have a list.
- 7. New Business:
 - Chairman Plante made a motion to appoint Robin Dayton as the Commissions liaison to the Friends of the Ballpark (FOB) with John Gallo as an alternate. The motion was passed by unanimous vote. The FOB President voiced an objection stating the FOB had not decided yet how to work with the Commission. The objection was duly noted by the Chair.
 - John motioned and Victor seconded to authorize the Chair to talk to the Town HR Director to confirm the Commission wants to renew the Ballpark Managers contract. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm by unanimous acclamation.

Respectfully Submitted, Robin M. Dayton, Vice Chair/ Secretary,