

The Old Orchard Beach Ballpark Commission
Meeting Minutes
June 25, 2018
The Ballpark Conference Room

Attendees: Chairman John Gallo, Vice Chair Kris Fish, Commissioners Jerome Plante, Melissa Clark, Victor Gould Jr, Bob Rings and Robin Dayton and Ballpark Operations Manager (BOM) Guy Fontaine. Also present were Pam Gallo, Sean Doran and Sue Grondin, the concession stand manager.

Call to order: Chairman Gallo opened the meeting at 6:32pm.

Old Business:

1. The minutes for the May 21st meeting and the June 11th workshop were approved with an edit suggestion.
2. Operations Manager Report presented by Guy Fontaine, BOM:
 - a. The Ballpark just finished hosting the Firecracker Tournament. Things went well and teams and fans loved the venue. They are anxious to come back in the future. There were a few issues with people not being able to find us. Guy will speak to Larry Mead about signage near the fire station. It was also suggested that we contact public works about getting a street sign. Our website does have directions. The concession stand was very busy. Guy thanked Commission Clark and her daughter, Kira, for volunteering in the stand.
 - b. Guy introduced Sue Grondin to the commission. Sue is managing the concession stand this summer and is doing a great job.
 - c. The utility room is painted. We will have two washers and dryers moving in. Work has been done fixing the deck. The tractors have been fixed.
 - d. The budget for May was presented. Guy never received information for April from the town. June's will be the end of the fiscal year. Guy passed out May's budget dollars. Robin wants CIPs listed on the budget as well.
 - e. Idea of selling ballpark hats and T-shirts was presented. Many people asked to buy them during our recent tournament. Guy is looking into this and will present ideas at the next meeting.
 - f. The Field Managers Report was presented by Sean Doran. The field really took a beating over the last month. There were a lot of games. It has just been fertilized and hopefully that will perk things up. Jim and Sean have been spending a lot of time getting ready for upcoming games and there is still a list of things that need to be fixed.
3. Blues Fest Subcommittee: the festival is only 8 weeks away. We need more volunteers. Jerome will be on the festival committee. Robin also wants to be involved. This will be a standing action item.
 - 3a. Concerts in the Park. There have been some changes. We will be having only 3 concerts this year. The commission has asked Jason Webber to come to our next meeting to discuss this issue.

4. Strategic Plan Ideas: We need to examine our options for a 2019 home baseball team. Guy is working on this. We will also be losing Commissioner Rings in the fall as he is moving away. (bummer) We would like to find three people, one permanent and two alternates. Anyone interested can pass their resume to John. We need a committee to determine our actual costs of everything we do so our fees are accurate. We have lots of challenges and many opportunities and a lot of discussion and work ahead.
5. Review of the Action Item Log—tabled until next meeting.
6. Google Drive Demonstration—tabled until next meeting.

New Business:

1. Approve Next Meeting Schedules:
 - a. The next workshop meeting is July 9th-6:30pm at The Ballpark
 - b. The next regular Commission meeting is July 23rd-6:30pm at The Ballpark

Public Comments: There were no public comments.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30pm.