

The Old Orchard Beach Ballpark Commission
Meeting Minutes
October 22, 2018
The Ballpark Conference Room

Attendees: Chairman John Gallo, Robin Dayton, Jerome Plante, Victor Gould Jr, Melissa Clark, Ballpark Operations Manager Guy Fontaine and Field Manager Jim Doran.

Call to order at 6pm.

Old Business:

1. Acceptance of the minutes from the September 10th workshop and the September 24th meeting. Both were accepted unanimously.
2. Operations Manager's report: Guy has received some emails regarding the auto auctions. Town zoning prohibits auto sales in this area. But there is nothing specific about auctions. John and Guy will be meeting with the town. Does The Ballpark still want to pursue this and do we need a list of things that are allowed on The Ballpark property? The fence is being replaced and the lighting upgraded. All equipment will be pressure washed. The oil changes will be done and the water is being turned off. The Ballpark is being put to bed for the winter. There will be a review of the old payroll system vs. the one used this year. Dates have been set for the Firecracker Tournament and the Rumble at The Ballpark Wrestling Tournament. We are still looking for a home team for next season, whether it is a pro team or a college team. Guy is working on getting more publicity for The Ballpark. We all need to brainstorm outside the box for events to happen here. We may need to get our own liquor license to sell beer and wine at events. This will be a workshop item.
3. Field Manager's report from Jim Doran: The final fertilization was done a few weeks ago. Last games will be played this Sunday. There is a big issue with the right field fence that needs to be addressed. It is coming out of the ground. Final mowing has been done and equipment needs to be cleaned up and put away for the winter.
4. Strategic Planning for 2019: Proposals to play here next season will be put out. We will be careful with the wording. We need to create a packet to send out to prospective tenants. We also need to get clarification on what is allowed at The Ballpark.
5. Action Item Log:
 - 14b: Robin is ready to upload this to our google drive
 - 19 and 27 are completed
 - 37: John will be working on this with Guy
 - 40: Need suggestions for new commissioners
 - 43 and 44b are pending
 - 45, 46 and 47 are completed
 - 48: John, Guy, Robin and Kris will be working on this.

New Business:

1. Meetings will be called to order at the time listed. We will not go back and rehash what has already happened if someone is late.
2. Several commissioners' terms are expiring at the end of this year. Please check your term dates and get your renewal paperwork in if necessary.
3. Policy and Procedures: we need to review what we have, update any that need it and create new ones as necessary.

4. Discussion on the advisory board was tabled to a future date.
5. The next workshop will be on Monday, November 5th in the OOB High School Cafeteria. The next meeting will be in the same location on November 26th. Both will start promptly at 6pm.
6. Sponsorships. We need to find sponsors. The Commission has asked for a list of previous and prospective sponsors.

Public Comments:

The Ballpark usually has a presence on Election Day at the polls. We will set up a table and have information to hand out. Commissioners will need to be available to man the table.

Meeting adjourned at 7:47pm

Respectfully submitted,
Melissa Clark
Secretary