

ETJ Baseball Meeting

September 12, 2016

Meeting was called to order by President Chad Forcellini at 7:00 p.m. at the municipal building. Motion to accept the minutes for June 2016:

Treasurer Report: Shawn gave the treasurer's report. The balance stands at: **\$7,151.81**. Motion to accept the treasurer report: 1st Jenn Spicher 2nd Kurt Lecorchik

We are in better standing then the end of the year last year. We will still have some bills through the winter to pay- like the electric bill.

We had a very successful tournament this year- which was a major fundraiser for the league and has allowed us to remain financially stable for the upcoming season.

Members Present: Amy and Chad Forcellini, Terry Hall, Ron Brown, Shawn Sipe, Tim and Jenn Spicher, Jerrod Nixon, Sam Amenti, Stephen Ruddek, Gary Sechrengost, Mike George and Kurt Lecorchik.

We had nominations for the upcoming season- we are still looking to fill positions. Below is the list of nominations, we do not have anyone running against anyone at this point. We also have open positions. Please feel free to nominate someone until September 30, 2016. We will vote on officers in October.

The officers nominations for the 2017 season are: President-Chad Forcellini, **Vice- OPEN**, Secretary- Amy Forcellini, Treasurer- Shawn Sipe, Softball Rep.- Steven Ruddek, Commissioner- Tim Spicher, Equipment Manager- Kurt Lecorchick, **Fundraiser Coordinator- OPEN** Uniform Coordinator- Cliff Richey, Head Umpires- Gary Passeur(baseball) and Brian Burkett (softball). Schedule Coordinator- Chad Forcellini and Shawn Sipe, and Sponsor Coordinator-Sam Amenti. Concession stand-Mitchell- Stacy Serenko- **Leidy- OPEN**. Field Maintenance- Mitchell- Terry Hall, Leidy Maintenance- Gary Sechrengost, If there is a job that you would like to help out with, please let one of the board members know. Please remember that all positions are volunteer positions, and we need more parent participation.

Ron Brown has stepped down as Vice President and did not accept his nomination for the next season. With that being said- we will need someone to take over the basket party. Ron and Darla will help with this transition. Nanty Glo Fire Hall has more than doubled their prices for next year. We will be looking for a new location (St. John's, YPPC, Pike Grace).

Shawn Sipe addressed issues of coaching a team and being a board member. We will be putting some stipulations in place for doing both jobs.

We talked in length about a Softball Panel- to help make decisions on softball issues. We are thinking that we would like a panel of three people- plus Steve Ruddek (the Cambria/Somerset League Rep). Gary Sechrengost and Mike George have interest in being on this panel- we are looking to see who else wants to be a part of this new vision for the league. We also discussed separate meetings for Softball and Baseball- put the majority want to keep the league together as a whole group.

Mitchell and Leidy concession will also need to be ran separately. We will need someone to take over Leidy. This person will work with the Mitchell concessions.

Bottom-line, we are growing and baseball cannot and should not make all the decisions for the entire league.

We talked in length about getting more people involved in seeing this league be successful! Please let one of us know if you are interested in helping – it's all for the kids!

Mitchell has been winterized except for the concession- which will be done next week. Leidy will also be done over the weekend. Bink will be using RV antifreeze to help to winterize the concession stands.

We are looking to purchase scoreboard covers. All scoreboards must be covered for the winter. Bezek Upholstery is likely to make the covers for the new boards. Cost is likely to be between \$800-\$900.

Mike George, Sam Amenti and Kurt Lecorchik are all looking into mining belt- and will report back to us.

Thank You to Dave Hessler- he got the tractor for Mitchell fixed.

Clearances will need to be updated every two years for those coaching or assisting in any way. Please make sure that clearances get to Amy- not someone else.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:10 by: 1st Ron Brown 2nd Shawn Sipe.