

Approved 11/13/07
HAMPDEN PARKS & RECREATION
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES NOVEMBER 1, 2007

Meeting called to order at 7:00pm.

Members Present: Chris McDonald, Huck House, Bob White and Mark Goossens. Larry arrived at 7:02pm.

Also Present: Rick Kapinos and Michael Cronin

Basketball: Basketball tryouts for the travel teams for grades 5-8 were held on October 27 & 28. Girls 5th & 6th – 10 girls tried out. Ten will be on the Suburban team and six on the in-town team. A few more girls will be needed for the in-town team. Michael Cronin will be the coach of the Suburban team with Anne MacGregor assisting. Jeff Bates will coach the in-town team with Paul Milette assisting.

Girls 7th & 8th – 21 girls tried out. Eleven players will be on the Suburban team and ten will be on the CYO team. Steve Karpells will be the coach of the CYO team. This leaves two girls who did not try out. Rick spoke to CW from Wilbraham about placing them on a team. If there is no place for them, an option would be for them to play with the CYO team.

Boys 5th & 6th – The Suburban team will have ten players with coach Michael MacGregor and Bob Gomez assisting. The CYO team will have ten players with coach Rick Willis. The in-town team will have eleven players. A coach is still needed for this team.

Boys 7th & 8th – There will be ten players on the Suburban team with coach Rick Kapinos, nine players on the CYO Blue team with coach Matt Avezzie and nine players on the CYO White team. A coach is still needed for this team.

Girls Suburban 7th & 8th coach: Larry Forrest stepped outside of the meeting during the discussion for the head coach position. Rick and Mike Cronin both recommended Larry as the head coach for the girls 7th & 8th Suburban team. Mark made a motion to select Larry Forrest as the head coach for the girls 7th & 8th grade Suburban basketball team based on his head coaching experience and the fact that this year's roster is made up of more than half of his last year's team. Huck seconded. All in favor and so voted 5-0.

Boys Suburban 7th & 8th coach: Rick stepped outside of the meeting during the discussion for the head coach position. Huck made a motion to select Rick Kapinos for the head coach position of the Suburban boys 7th & 8th grade team. Larry seconded. All in favor and so voted 5-0.

Huck made a motion to adjourn at 7:46pm. Mark seconded. All in favor and so voted 5-0.

Submitted by Deborah House, Clerk