Summary of March 14 Recreation Meeting We are winding down with the Winter Ice season at Massena Arena but there are still a number of events until the official end of season April 29th. Massena Recreation is hosting a Rock N Skate this Sunday. MMHA and MFSC will hold standard practices through March. There is an 8U/10U Girls Tournament on April 1st weekend as well as Recreation hosting a Spring House League March- Early April. Massena Figure Skating will be hosting a March Testing Session as well as a April Skate School and an April Test Session to finish the year. We will be purchasing Boilers for the arena to replace the ones currently at the arena that are over 40 years old and not working properly. Massena Recreation will also be taking over Massena Minor Lacrosse this Spring.

MINUTES OF March 14th, 2023, MEETING

Dave MacLennan called the regular monthly meeting of the Joint Recreation Commission to order at 3:00 pm at the Massena Arena, on Tuesday, March 14th, 2023. In attendance were John Meddings, and Gary Gushlaw. Village Liaisons, Christine Winston, and Ken McGowan, as well as Town Liaison Francis Carvel, were present. Recreation Director Mike McCabe was also present. No members of the press were present. John Horan and George Hammill were excused.

A motion was made to accept the minutes from the previous month by John Meddings and seconded by Gary Gushlaw. This motion was approved by all board members. <u>MOTION CARRIED.</u>

FINANCIAL REPORT - Mike McCabe

Everyone had on hand, a copy of the financial report as well as the breakdown in revenues for the month of February:

- Arena Ice Fees: Up \$16,000 on the month, up \$1,400 year to date.
- .Rec Skating Fees: Up \$1,300 on the month, up \$4,500 year to date.
- .Commissions: Up \$250 on the month, up \$1,400 year to date.
- .Sponsors (Game): Down \$50 on the month, up \$250 year to date.
- .Rec. Comm (Game): Down \$350 on the month, up \$150 year to date.
- .Concessions: Up \$200 on the month, up \$7,300 year to date.

OLD BUSINESS

<u>Outdoor Ice</u>: There was nothing new to report; it's been a struggle this year, due to the weather fluctuations.

Annex project: The poster has been publicized on Facebook and posted in the Massena Arena. Several members of the public have come forward with the interest of joining committees to help out. Mike McCabe has spoken to the IDA for a \$20,000 grant (nothing is finalized). Christine Winston had an idea to have a "kick-off' fundraiser, with the intention to bringing attention to the project.

Boilers: One of the boilers had a significant leak, so the arena only has one that is working right now. Both boilers are 40 years old. It will cost around \$22,000 to replace both boilers. Labor costs will be around6.000-

A motion was made to approve the purchase of two new boilers for the Massena Arena. Motion was made by Gary Gushlaw and seconded by John Meddings. This motion was approved by all board members. <u>MOTION CARRIED.</u>

NEW BUSINESS

<u>Girls 81J/101J Tournament</u>: The tournament will take place the weekend of April 1st. They will use around 16 hours of ice at the Massena Arena. There are 4 teams in each division. 81.J Massena, Potsdam, Watertown and Chazy. 10U - Massena, Cornwall, Canton, and Vermont.

Spring House League: There are 3 Divisions (8U, 121J & 15U). 81.J has 4 teams. 121J has 4 teams. 151.J runs a little differently, Mike McCabe will make 2 even teams each session. There are 5 sessions, beginning on March 26th and ending on April 5th. The cost is \$30.

MFSC Testing/Invitational/Spring School: Testing will take place on Sunday, March 26th from 1:00-5:00 pm. The invitational was canceled. Spring School starts on March 27th and will last the entire month of April. It consists of 4 days per week (Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday), which equals around 14 hours of ice time used per week.

Budget Update: The Recreation Department submitted a proposed budget to the Village and Town at the end of January. Mike McCabe had a recent meeting with Greg Paquin, Kevin Felt, and Monique Chatland that the Village needed to trim over three hundred thousand to get to the tax cap and each department would be responsible for cutting their share off of the budget. It was proposed that Massena Recreation add approximately \$80,000 for the two fund balances to pay for the Roof. It was also noted that money could be removed from the vehicle's expense line since we were moving to a leasing program. The community program's revenue could increase by \$2,000 as we would expect to see a small profit from taking over the Massena Minor Lacrosse Program. It was also mentioned in the meeting that the mowing of Bushnell Field may become the responsibility of the Recreation Department.

<u>Ice Schedule/End of Season</u>: The last day of ice will be on Saturday, April 29th. Rock N Skate was added to the schedule and will take place on Sunday, March 17th from 6:15-8:15 pm.

<u>Lacrosse</u>: Massena Recreation is taking over Massena Minor Lacrosse. Payments will be made via Square. Costs: both girls & boys (k-2) is \$75 and both boys & girls (3-6) is \$95. Advertising and online registration will be starting tomorrow, March 15th. The season will run from around April 17th – the end of the school year. We will have added responsibility with lining/ setting up fields and registering and administering the program.

15-year-old/family: Mike McCabe let the board know that 15-year old's can be hired as lifeguards. This would be a "junior" lifeguard position and part-time only.

A motion was made to approve the hiring of 15 year old's for lifeguarding. Motion was made by Gary Gushlaw and seconded by John Meddings. This motion was approved by all board members.

MOTION CARRIED.

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 17th, 2023 @ 3pm at the Massena Arena.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by John Meddings seconded by Gary Guslaw. This motion was approved by all board members. <u>MOTION CARRIED.</u>

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