

Beech Grove Little League Board Meeting Minutes

Date: 12.19.24

Location: Hornet Park Community Center

Meeting Type: Regular Meeting

Minutes Approved: 2.20.2025

Attendance:	Absences:
Margaret Butrum Brittney Woods Matt Johnson Chad Becker TJ Crawford Jeremiah Marshall Felicia Gochett (via phone) Dustin Didion (late)	Chad Butrum Bobby Baumann David Didion Mandi Cunningham
Guests: Allie Crawford	

Quorum Present (7): yes

Call to Order: 6:18 pm

Approval of Minutes

- October - Unanimous approval
- November - Unanimous approval

Reports

- Treasurer: November loss of \$597.35, YTD Profit of \$543.43
 - \$1.92 spent at BP on Raymond, no receipt
 - Other updates on Finances:
 - Autopay for BG Sewer is turned off so that we will no longer pay the \$2.95 service fee. Margaret will set up payments directly from the bank account. (\$35.40 savings/year)
 - Margaret spoke to Citizens Energy and was able to register the account so we can access it online and set up auto payments. Sales tax will be removed from our bill moving forward as well. (appx \$60 savings/year on tax and late fees)
 - Margaret reached out to AES about removing sales tax from the electric bill. (appx \$135 savings/year)
 - Between removing payment service fees, late fees and sales tax - we should save around \$230/year on Utilities

Unfinished Business

- Background Checks and Abuse Training reminder
 - Email sent with link for those who have not yet done them, email certificates to bgll46107@gmail.com ASAP
- Batting Cages update - The Beech Grove Parks Foundation purchasing the Iron Horse Batting Cage System, 12'x12'x55' from Batting Cages Inc. Working to schedule installation, likely early spring, will be installed on the south end of the park by the Majors field so visibility is clear, which will hopefully deter vandalism.
 - They have had the money for this set aside for several years and are giving it to us now as a testament to how hard we have worked this past year, great job team!
- Board positions

- Fundraiser/Sponsorship Manager - Felicia agreed to taking this on
 - Coaching Coordinator - still in need, would prefer for it to not be a coach due to conflict of interest, will continue to discuss at the next meeting
- Concession stand remodel update
 - Dustin is still waiting to hear from Tom/Parks Board on recent emails he sent to them about this.
- Other grounds needs from the parks - Dustin will reach out to Tom again:
 - New gates are still needed on the Rookie Field
 - Majors Score Box door needs repaired after break in
 - Concession Stand door needs a new lock, current lock is malfunctioning and difficult to unlock so some members are not able to get in
- Office purchases - printer/copier/scanner, laptop, laminator, shredder - Margaret will price out on Wal-Mart so we can use the coupons currently available

New Business

- 2025 Charter - we are free to charter anytime, should prioritize doing this before the end of December
- BGLL/Parks Department Annual Agreement and Hold Harmless
 - Year round agreement rather than April to November? Margaret updated the form to reflect a January through December agreement., Dustin signed and Margaret will send it to Tom for review.
 - Hold Harmless - this agreement is with the city itself so we'll have to run dates by Jim or Samantha
- By-Laws Review - continue discussion at next meeting
 - Simplified wording to make them more clear, removed anything already covered by Little League rules and regulations
 - All members should continue to read through them and ask questions or make suggestions so we can vote to approve
 - Matt will share By-Laws from his Delaware League for comparison
 - Jeremiah will review and make suggestions for the Umpires section
 - All-Stars section added - want this to be clearly spelled out for parents and to have more commitment from parents and players
- Event schedule for the year - did not review, move to next meeting
- Recruiting Coaches early - we want them at the skills assessment to make it more meaningful for drafting
 - Matt shared how they do the assessment/tryouts and draft at his other League
- Scoreboards for AA and AAA fields - paid by Parks Dept - Send Tom quotes ASAP

Comments, announcements or other business

- January President's Meeting and Player Agent Meeting January 9th at Brougner Plaza - Dustin and Brittney to attend
- Domain ownership - Clay not responding to Brittney
 - Look into changing the domain name through Sports Connect
- iPad Registration - Need Cindy to wipe her account from the iPad - we cannot do this without her entering her password
 - Suggested to go ahead and just purchase a new one - Margaret will price them on Wal-Mart to use the coupons available

Adjourned: 7:49 pm