

**Attendance:** Corryn Anderson, Julie Cooley, Randy Lowe, Matt Herrmann, Nate Greene, Eric Potthoff, Terry Olson, Sean Decent, Justin Wilkins, Kara Kocon, Joe Jensen

**Absences:** Stephanie Walschlaeger (1st 1/14, 2nd 2/18, 3rd 11/10), Julie Cooley (1st 2/18), Nate Greene (1st 3/10), Eric Potthoff (1st 6/9)

1. Meeting **CALLED to ORDER** at 7:02 PM

2. **PUBLIC FORUM**

3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** from November

*Motion to approve by Randy, seconded by Justin. Motion passes.*

4. **NEW BUSINESS**

**Hit a Thon**

Evaluate after the event is complete to determine the amount to be moved to the SBAA general fund.

**Capital Improvements**

Continued discussion about the need to improve the drainage and leveling of the fields at Lion's Park. Also the need to put a border around the batting cages at City Park. With the number of teams and usage at the fields this summer, we will need to also improve the "neighborhood parks" (Wisen's, Patricia, etc.) to ensure all teams are getting adequate practice/game times.

*Motion for the Baseball Committee to move \$11,000 to Capital Improvement by Nate, seconded by Randy. Motion passes.*

*Motion for the Fastpitch Committee to move \$10,000 to Capital Improvement by Julie, seconded by Justin. Motion passes.*

*Motion to move \$58,000 from Concessions to Capital Improvement by Terry, seconded by Nate. Motion passes.*

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**4 Wheeler Sale**

Terry would like to purchase the four wheeler from fastpitch.

*Motion to approve sale to Terry for \$1,200 by Nate, seconded by Stephanie. Motion passes.*

**Fire Code**

The Fire Marshall comes out each year for inspections. The freezer in the concessions stand at Lions needs to be removed and needs to be replaced as it doesn't meet the fire code. SBAA will be purchasing a new freezer.

### **Yard Signs**

They are housed in the concession stand at City Park, approximately 50. They will be brought to our next meeting in January and distributed to Board Members for placement.

### **Sports Engine Fees Change**

The fee has been \$799 per year for hosting the website, it will be raised to \$1299 annually. It will stay \$799 for one more year and then increase to \$1,299. Corryn was able to negotiate the use of extra features for two years (game streaming).

### **Late Fees**

Currently we charge a \$25 late fee for registrations that goes to each entity. This amount falls short of the added expenses to add players to the team and for quick turnarounds in getting players jerseys in a timely manner.

*Motion to increase the late fee to \$50 with \$35 going to the entity (softball/baseball), the remaining \$15 going to SBAA, by Nate, seconded by Eric. Motion passes.*

### **Volunteer Fees**

Currently parents are able to earn their \$100 SBAA volunteer fee back in one of the following ways: head coach, one assistant coach and 4 hour shifts working concessions, concession runs, and other opportunities approved by the Board.

### **3rd Child Discount**

Registration is currently \$50. Discussion was had about increasing due to increased costs for the organization due to inflation.

*Increase the registration fee for the third child to \$75 by Nate, seconded by Justin. Motion passes.*

### **Anoka Hennepin Flyer**

Anoka Hennepin will place the advertisement on the website automatically if we print the flyers. Discussion was had and determined that we will continue to send out the printed flyers. They will be available at the January meeting and each Board Member will be responsible for dropping them off at an elementary school.

### **Current 2025 Tournament Schedule**

Lengthy discussion about tournaments and BATBA using Lions and City Park after how everything went down last year. Corryn will reach out to Denise, the city administrator, about how to handle the situation and if we should require a damage or equipment deposit.

## **Updated Balances**

Capital Improvement: \$15,123

Concessions: \$118,098

General Fund: \$140,477

Baseball: \$35,855

Fastpitch: \$46,423

## **2025 Budget**

*Motion to approve the 2025 General Fund budget by Matt, seconded by Randy. Motion passes.*

*Motion to approve the 2025 Concession budget by Nate, seconded by Eric. Motion passes.*

*Motion to approve the 2025 Capital Improvement budget by Justin, seconded by Matt. Motion passes.*

*Motion to approve the 2025 Townball budget by Nate, seconded by Eric. Motion passes.*

*Motion to approve the 2025 Baseball budget by Terry, seconded by Randy. Motion passes.*

*Motion to approve the 2025 Capital Fastpitch budget by Justin, seconded by Matt. Motion passes.*

## **Committee Reports:**

*Concessions – Olson/Anderson*

- Jim is willing to serve as our Concession Coordinator again

*Soderville Baseball – Potthoff & Greene*

- The storage container was broken into at City Park, nothing was actually stolen.
- MYAS canceled their State rec tournaments. Baseball used to send two teams from each age division 10-12U, and all teams 13+. Baseball will try to find alternate tournaments for them to play in that weekend. It's part of their structure and the baseball season, so it's a bummer that they canceled it.
- Soderville Classic tournament is open and they are already receiving registrations and full at some age levels

*Traveling Fastpitch – Cooley*

- Started a monthly newsletter called the "Bengals Strike Zone" that went out to all 10U+ softball parents to increase engagement during the off-season that we will continue when in season.
- Coaches/Team Manager mentor session set for January 6.
- All 10U + Soderville fastpitch parent meeting is set for March 30.

*Field Scheduling– Anderson*

- No update

*Fields/Facilities - Anderson*

- No update

*Fundraising – Anderson*

- No update

*Sponsors – Schraunfnagel*

- No update

*Web/IT – Greene*

- No update

*Town Ball – Olson*

- Already scheduling games for next year

*Social Media – Wallschlager & DeCent*

- No update

## **6. OLD BUSINESS**

## **7. NEXT MEETING & ADJOURN at 9:15 PM**

Sunday, January 12 7:00 PM

Location: Ham Lake Lanes