



TOWN OF OLD SAYBROOK  
RAYS FOR RAMS

AD-HOC COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

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**OLD SAYBROOK TURF BALLFIELD LIGHTS COMMITTEE (aka Triple T)**

**Meeting Minutes**

**Wednesday, December 29, 2021**

**7:00pm**

**Old Saybrook Town Hall**

- I. CALL TO ORDER:** *Scott Giegerich (Co-Chair) Alan Hyla (Co-Chair), Committee Members; Peter Rothman, Nancy Gatta(via ZOOM), Rich Hanratty(via ZOOM), Guests:*
- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- III. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:** *None*
- IV. COMMENTS FROM AD HOC COMMITTEE MEMBERS:** *Discussion reaffirming various means to recognize substantial donors. The donor recognition monuments at the Madison Surf Club fields as a possible solution. The columns incorporate brick donors into the column and consensus was this could be a viable option to pursue further. Al Hyla will follow up with the Madison Athletic Director to gather more information to share for our next meeting. Peter Rothman shared pictures of examples of recognition plaques that can be made for Gold, Silver and Bronze donors and these could for example, don the Ticket Booth at entrance to field or be incorporated into the donor columns. Some pricing for plaques shared for example, 8X10 Bronze \$300 and 8X10 Aluminum \$100. Al Hyla will present various options to Board of Education at a later date. Al Hyla. continues to provide our progress at regular Board of Education meetings.*
- V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES-** *Minutes from 12/8/21 approved.*  
**HANRATTY/GIEGERICH**  
**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**
- VI. BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD**
  - A.** *Donation Levels and Recognition modes: discussion about reaching out to Harbor News for coverage. Scott Giegerich will follow up. Al Hyla to follow up.*
  - B.** *Donations – Status to date – Close to 90k and growing with other substantial donations coming in / \$10,000 Family donation from Dan Grace / \$1200 from "Fortuna-Giegerich 2021".*
  - C.** *Fundraising – Bricks: update Brick sales via an e-mail from Meghan B reports that: "Things are coming in, but I know of many people who plan on buying bricks and still need to submit. The site shows donors (21- 4X8, 7- 8X8 and 3 -12X12) total is \$12,400. Also have additional \$1,200 committed (1,000 brick w Cuckoos Nest and \$250 Girls soccer for Mr.*

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*Bourne). So all total that would be 33 bricks and \$13,650. My personal checks and boosters check will be delivered tomorrow. I will send an email to boosters tomorrow reminding folks if they'd like to get one before year's end they should do so." Committee commented on this great progress. Nancy Gatta suggested we use the transfer station as a location to raise awareness/funds on a Saturday morning. Nancy Gatta further suggested we ask the sports team captains to promote and assist with the activity...have the RAM mascot there and "fill the Gatorade" container to collect any donations.*

- D.** Website – basketball games: *The committee supports this activity. At this time other than staffing the table at games, no other related activities are planned. The following have agreed to staff upcoming matches: 1/4 (Scott Giegerich, Peter Rothman); 1/7 5p (Al Hyla, Meghan B) 7p (Al Hyla, Scott Giegerich); 1/10 7p (Al Hyla, Scott Giegerich); 1/12 7p (Peter Rothman, Rich Hanratty); 1/14 7p (Scott, ?); 1/18 7p (Meghan Brady ?)*
- E.** Local Organizations – Task members to identify and provide contact information for at least three businesses or local groups we wish to contact to solicit support. *Update: Committee members discussed specific donors to reach out to and volunteered as follows: Scott Giegerich (Master Tile, Pasta Vita, Saybrook Point, Town Fair Tire, The Essex, Rotary Club Mtg.) Al Hyla (Function Fitness, Oceanside Auto, Fromage) Peter Rothman (M&J Bus, Oakleaf Marina), Meghan Brady (Cuckoo's Nest). Other members have already reached out and secured donations. Scott Giegerich is keeping a list of donors.*
- F.** Thank You to DONORS- status - *Scott Giegerich continues to send letters/emails to all donors thanking them. This includes donations for both monetary and brick sales. Nancy Gatta suggested we develop a flyer at the completion of reaching our goal that lists all donors. Scott Giegerich is maintaining a list of all donors and committee agreed to pursue this suggestion. Nancy Gatta to assist.*
- G.** Student Events – *Amelia Sigersmith. and Scott Giegerich. manned the table at a recent opening night basketball game. Stickers sold, however collective sentiment that this will be a good venue to garner more sales.*
- H.** Web-Site / Facebook Page / Instagram - *Update: Suggestion to change "contact" portal on website to "Donate Here" if possible. This will make user navigation easier to locate the donation steps.*

**VII. OTHER BUSINESS**

**VIII. NEXT MEETING DATE – 1/5/21**

**IX. ADJOURNMENT- Motion to adjourn**

**HYLA/GIEGERICH**

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Respectfully submitted,  
Alan Hyla