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, February 16, 2022 7:00pm Old Saybrook Town Hall Second Floor Conference Room

- I. CALL TO ORDER: Scott Giegerich (Co-Chair) Alan Hyla (Co-Chair), Committee Members; Peter Rothman, Meghan Brady, Nancy Gatta, Rich Hanratty & Amelia Sigersmith (via ZOOM), Guests:
- **II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** recited
- **III. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC** *None*
- IV. COMMENTS FROM AD HOC COMMITTEE MEMBERS Committee member Hanratty thanked Co-Chairs for their efforts meeting our charge of successfully reaching our goal. Comments from co-chairs reiterated and thanked committee members for the collective efforts to surpass the goal to raise \$150,000! Contributions and pledges have come from 200+ generous supporters of this effort.
- V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES- Minutes from 2/2/19 were approved. Rothman/Giegerich – motion moved

VI. BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD

- A. Donation Levels and Recognition modes- discussion re Bronze level and up Bricks;
 - 1. Identify the 12x12 brick as a result of a single donation or multiple donations aggregated to a 12x 12 brick
- B. Donations Status to date 200 donors to date Scott G. reported current donation status. \$181,118.22 raised through bricks, donations and sponsors to date. With the Town's contribution,this totals approximately \$381,000. Expected expenses are to be tallied and include in part: Signed contract with lights contractor Musco for 269k / Electrical 30k / Turf disruption 20K/ turf rental mats 30k / fencing along Ingham Hill Rd. / Monument Park area / walkway & lighting / structure among other incidental cost yet to be determined.
- C. Fundraising Bricks website basketball games
 - 1. Bricks: date publicized for final brick orders is March 1, 2021- action item extend or not extend. *Motion Brady/Hyla* approved to continue to sell / accept brick orders through March 1st.

142 Brick sales committed to date as follow: 30ct-12X12/96ct-4X8/ 16ct-8X8. We anticipate even more bricks will be sold by month's end.

- 2. Fundraising Expenses to be discussed and tasked to be documented submit receipts with description. See VI. B comments regarding expenses. All committee member expenses incurred and approved should be submitted by now. Any outstanding expenses should be submitted to Scott G. with accompanying receipts so reimbursed can be processed.
- D. Local Organizations
 - 1. PLOT Jona Paradis 2/24 Trivia Night
- **E.** Recognition Structure(s) to incorporate personalized bricks and sponsor level donor signs
 - 1. Wall, patio, walkway action requested to get specific ideas for integrating personalized bricks and sponsor signs. Alan H. discussed his conversation with Madison Athletic Director about their success. The Surf Club area/structures are maintained by DPW and funded by a non-profit entity to sustain and expand their Hall of Fame area. Agreement by our committee that this type of initiative would be beyond the scope and our original charge. However, the committee may opt to make final recommendations to the Superintendent & Board of Education on those matters. Various ideas discussed for commemorative monument area including a wall, walkway or monument structure(s). No decisions made but full agreement that the memorial needs to be visible/in a desirable location. More discussion ensued to consider area by tennis courts on sloped piece of grass for structure(s). Peter R. shared pictures taken of that area and positive responses supporting this area were shared. Scott G. met with Greg Nucci, an architect-designer (Point One Architects). This architect requested the site plan for the areas the committee may recommend, and Scott G. will request from School Administrator. This architect has offered to help with the design and rendering. This will be an agenda item for subsequent meetings.
 - 2. Identify costs associated with construction, design, installation of item E1. *See minutes in E. 1 above.*
 - 3. other
- F. Website / Facebook Page / Instagram feedback, changes. Scott G. presented draft messages/communications for "FINAL CALL" and "GOAL" that will be send out via Facebook (Neighborhood Connections) and Old Saybrook Public Schools respectively. Both documents are attached to these minutes and supported by this committee to be distributed.

VII. OTHER BUSINESS

Discussion by committee that before we discharge, we will need to organize the kickoff – FIRST Night Game half time recognition event. Ideas shard about inviting the 250+ donors to convene at half time for a celebration/recognition of the community's support.

Upcoming basketball game on 2/18 recognizing Girls Track Team. Our committee will have a presence at this event.

There are outstanding donations to be collected and brick renderings to be decided/finalized. Committee members responsible agreed to follow up and close those outstanding items.

VIII. NEXT MEETING DATE - 3/2/22 7:00pm

IX. ADJOURNMENT Gatta / Giegerich – motion moved

Meeting minutes

Respectfully submitted,

Alan Hyla, Committee Co-Chair

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> Rays for Rams Friday Night Lights

FINAL CALL!

RAYS for RAMS is blasting out this final call to join the multitudes who have enthusiastically responded to the call for FRIDAY NIGHT LIGHTS! We are so pleased with the support contributed in various manners to ensure that this incredible opportunity for our community become a reality! Don't miss out! Go to: <u>www.RaysForRams.com</u> to purchase your personalized commemorative sponsor brick. Our final date is set for March 1st, 2022.

While we have met the original goal set at \$150,000, there are many additional costs associated with the project and ALL funds contributed will be directly spent on this project!

Thank you Old Saybrook!

With tremendous appreciation,

Scott M Giegerich Alan R. Hyla Co-Chairs Rays for Rams - ad hoc committee of the Old Saybrook Board of Selectman Any questions, call 860-227-7298 or go to the website for more information