

Woodstock Recreation Commission Minutes

Monday, February 12, 2024
7:00 pm
Woodstock Town Hall Room A

1. **Call to order:** Sarah Bentley called meeting to order 7:02 pm
 - a. Members Present: Sarah Bentley, Amy Monahan, Sue Swan, Marie Chamberlin, Kathy LaBonte
 - b. Members Absent: None
 - c. Others Present: None
2. **Approve Minutes from Meeting on January 8, 2024**
 - a. A ***Motion** was made by Sarah Shaw Bentley to approve and adopt the minutes from meeting held on January 8, 2024. ***Seconded** by Sue Swan. No Discussion. ***Motion passed** .with 1 abstention (Chamberlin).
3. **Recreation Director Report**
 - a. Current/Recent programs:
 - i. 5-8 Basketball
 1. Program going well. Frog Rock is running the tournament this year for boys and the girls will be in Putnam this year.
 - ii. K-4 Basketball
 1. Program going well, the Ellis girls have helped in multiple sessions.
 - iii. Mind, Music, Movement
 1. Good attendance and good program run by NOW.
 - iv. Ski Club
 1. This has been a weather impacted program with multiple cancellations. The program has been allowed to tack on extra make up dates at end of session by the Ski Resort.
 - b. Upcoming Programs:
 - i. Winter Volleyball
 1. Approximately 25 registered to date for this program at Ellis Tech
 - ii. Spring programs
 1. Lego
 - a. This program will run on Wednesdays starting February 28th for 6 weeks
 2. Drama
 - a. Drama will be at the Town Hall again for the Elementary School again starting March 14th. The Middle School session will not take place due to the play at the Middle School this spring.
 3. Line Dancing
 - a. Line dancing will start February 25th at Senexet Grange
 4. NOW Programs
 - a. Creative Crawling will start on March 6th and run for 3 weeks due to early voting.
 - b. Move It will take place at the Elementary School starting March 1st.
 5. Nature Club
 - a. This program will be held in the boat house at Roseland starting April 22nd
 6. Soccer
 - a. Registration is open with over 30 already signed up.

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- 7. Golf
 - a. Erin will reach out to plan more about this program soon.
- iii. Egg Hunt
 - 1. The event will be on March 23, 2024 at 1 pm at Roseland Cottage with rain date of March 30th
 - 2. The Peeps Diorama Contest will again take place at this event. All children are encouraged to submit their Peeps creations.
- iv. Town Clean Up
 - 1. This event will start on March 24th and run through month of April. Kick off day will be at Town Hall this year. We will have scratch tickets and Bucks Cone Tickets for prizes again this year.
- v. Road Race
 - 1. Registration is open for this event. The logo has been chosen. Erin will start promotion for the race soon.
- vi. Tag Sale
 - 1. The Town Wide Tag Sale is scheduled for June 22nd this year.
- vii. Concerts
 - 1. Souls On Fire- June 21st at 6:30 pm
 - 2. Flamingo- July 26th at 6:30 pm
 - 3. Triple Double- August 9th at 6:30 pm
 - a. Grace Gourmet has been booked for all 3 concerts.
- viii. Beach Party
 - 1. Members of Triple Double will be at the beach party again this year on June 29th
 - 2. Details are being finalized for this summer kickoff event
- ix. Summer Programs
 - 1. Tennis
 - a. Sianna Goodall is on board to run this program but no dates have been set yet
 - 2. Basketball
 - a. Dates are set but the program times may be altered from last year
 - 3. Volleyball
 - a. Erin is still working on this program as she would like to include high schoolers if possible.
 - 4. Pony Camp
 - a. Still need to reach out to the host farm to finalize details for Summer 2024
 - 5. Golf
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- c. Discussion: New or Old Business, budget
 - i. There is a possibility of not having Roseland Park available to host the Winter Festival next year due to paving project at the park.
 - 1. Marie suggested the Mansion, as they are a sponsor and the venue would be great for that event.
 - ii. Beach Bathroom: This project is still in planning phases with Elis Tech.
 - 1. Bathrooms (renovation, ongoing maintenance)
 - a. Still need to finalize materials costs
 - 2. Beach/Bathroom Passes (security)
 - a. Erin would like to sell passes that support maintenance that would include a code to access bathrooms. It would be ideal to sell these at the start of summer beach party.

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3. Constables/Lifeguards

- a. The discussion of need for constables and cost for them to the Recreation Department.

4. Swim Lessons

- a. There are revenue possibilities from having swim lessons return to the Town Beach. Erin would like to meet with Allen Kelly to discuss the old program that was in place.

iii. Tennis Courts:

1. Erin has approached the town officials to inquire if a Go Fund Me can be used to support the project. It was suggested to approach the BOF for CNR funds.
 - a. The commission discussed the benefits of using Go Fund Me including allowing for support by choice for this project.

iv. There are 3 new Recreation sponsors including Bell Rock Insurance, Sturbridge Orthodontics and Putnam Area Foundation. Current donations collected from sponsors total \$11,250 for this year.

1. THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSORS!

4. Citizens Comments

- a. None

5. Adjournment

- a. ***Motion** made Sarah Bentley by to Adjourn. ***Seconded** by Kathy LaBonte. ***The motion passed unanimously.** Meeting Adjourned at 8:28 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Amy Monahan. DISCLAIMER: These minutes have not yet been approved by the Recreation Commission. Please refer to next month's meeting for approval/amendments.