

Barkhamsted Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes  
September 19, 2022

- A. The meeting called to order at 6:33 pm. Commission members Peter Bakker Jr., Nora Bishop, Megan Nelson, Pam Welles, and Director Donna Carney-Bastrzycki were in attendance. Jon Sweeton was absent.
- B. There was no public input.
- C. The June minutes were reviewed. Motion to accept the minutes was made by Megan Nelson and Pam Welles seconded the motion, and the minutes were approved by all.

D. Correspondence

Summer Camp correspondence with parents, the bus company, Debbie Washington, Shop Rite, school, fire department, River Steward Team. The interviews and employment for camp staff was extremely time intensive.

Old Business:

- 1. The Fourth of July Parade was well attended. The River Steward Team had a booth set up and signs for summer camp.
- 2. Family Fun Day/Camp Move Day – event was well attended. Debbie Washington read her book, there was a nature hike, crafts, etc. Thanks to Peter Bakker for helping with moving the camp supplies.
- 3. Summer Camp was well attended, there were guest speakers. Director Carney-Bastrzycki went over the Program Report with the committee and highlighted that it was the best attended and many hours were spent in preparation for the week-long event.
- 4. Paddle Nights – there were two events this year. Collinsville Canoe & Kayak has a good working relationship with the Recreation Director and the River Steward Team.
- 5. Camping 101 – new add on featuring Ginny Apple, FALPS, River Stewards at the campgrounds.

E. New Business

- 1. Pickleball begins on November 30, 2022. The courts need to be lined
- 2. GroundWorks Bridgeport and the River Steward Team performed a joint beach cleanup in Bridgeport and were part of a BioBlitz to identify species. This program has given stewards access to diversity with their “sister city” relationship these past two years.
- 3. Karate – starts this week. Registration ends this week. There are 9 children registered for the 8-week program.
- 4. Halloween Sock Hop will be October 28, 2022. The Pavilion has been reserved through Jim Warner; the school will be a back-up. The DJ is all set.
- 5. Ski Club – 1<sup>st</sup> meeting was last week. Start date is January 4, 2023. New this year is that there will be no make-up if someone gets COVID.

Nora Bishop motioned to adjourn, and Megan Nelson seconded the motion. All accepted and the meeting was adjourned at 7:20 pm.

Minutes were submitted by Nora Bishop.