

Barkhamsted Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes

June 19, 2023

- A. The meeting called to order at 6:30 pm. Commission members Peter Bakker Jr., Nora Bishop, Megan Nelson and Director Donna Carney-Bastrzycki were in attendance. Jon Sweeton, Pam Welles were absent.
- B. There was no public input.
- C. The May minutes were reviewed. Motion to accept the minutes was made by Megan Nelson and Peter Bakker seconded the motion, and the minutes were approved by all.
- D. Correspondence
There was correspondence in the following program areas: Summer Camp – Parents, School, Nature Museum, LeGeyt, Jim Warner from DEEP, Guest speakers as well as staff emails regarding training. Puddletown (Mainstream)
- E. Old Business:
 - 1. Pickleball Season ended well with a terrific turnout and positive reviews. Donna created a google form for participants to connect to each other in the off season and continue to play in summer. Donna is planning a night out at Puddletown Adventures this summer/fall after meeting with the new owner recently.
 - 2. Karate – 11 in group. Donna helped at the sessions with registration, marketing and celebrations. Will start another session earlier this year due to request that will begin in September.
- F. New Business
 - 1. Upcoming Programs: Paddle nights, scheduled for 6/30 and 7/14. This is a good partnership with Collinsville Canoe & Kayak. Family Fun Day is set for 7/9, which is also the day we get the materials for summer camp out of the storage area. And our big move day. Recreation and River Stewards will also march again in the 4th of July Parade. Director Donna Carney-Bastrzycki mentioned that David Sinnish recently passed away. He was a big part of the FRWA and volunteered in events in the community and for our recreation department including the 4th of July Parade and camp.
 - 2. Summer Camp: Enrollment is past it's max with a total is at 46 and Donna accommodated the waitlist after another round of interview and Steward Team members will help at camp. Counselors are in place; training is set for 6/28.
 - 3. River Stewards/Recreation Summer Series: This is the third week in the River Steward Program, and they are attending/participating in all summer recreation events.
 - 4. River Day: Jon Sweeton absent at meeting so no new update.
 - 5. Recreation Account Balance: Balance sheet was reviewed by the committee. Some items still need to be clarified with Don Stein.

G. Adjournment

Nora Bishop motioned to adjourn, and Megan Nelson seconded the motion. All accepted and the meeting was adjourned at 6:55 pm.

Minutes were submitted by Nora Bishop.