

## Barkhamsted Recreation Commission Meeting September 16, 2019

Meeting called to order at 7:04 pm. Commission members Peter Bakker Jr., Nora Bishop, Melissa Roy, Deborah Simon, Pam Welles and Director Donna Carney-Bastrzycki in attendance.

There was no public input. Deborah Simon made a motion to accept the 6/17/19 minutes and Peter Bakker Jr., seconded the motion. Minutes were accepted.

Correspondence had been received regarding the summer camp. There was considerable correspondence with all of the guest speakers and final confirmations before camp – DEEP, FALPS, MDC, Legeyt bus company, the school, FRCC Steward team, Police, Fire Department, Historical Society, Nature Museum and Shoprite. Correspondence and updating parents and staff. There were several late registrations being worked on up until the day before camp. Correspondence about Paddleboarding and weather delays, and joint events with the concert series in New Hartford with FALPS and FRCC. Re-confirmed with the DJ for the Halloween dance. Correspondence regarding Grange events and FRCC Clean-up. Ski Sundown – sent in the pre-registration forms, contacted program volunteers from last year. Emails to Sundown. Sent initial email out to parents about the fall programs and Don Stein is helping to promote. The school has the flyer for distribution.

### Old Business:

- Summer Programs
  - Midnight Canoe was a no show, although folks had been signed up for the event.
  - Summer Rec Camp – 47 campers participated, an increase from 29 last year. There was significant advertisement this year and seasoned staff. Next year need to have a cut off date as it was a challenge to get additional staff and extra supplies at the last minute. The Rec Director bought walkie-talkies to make sure staff were in touch with each other during the camp day and throughout the week.
  - Nature Camp – total of 91 participants for the three week camp. Next year this event will be a part of the town budget and not in the Recreation department.
  - Paddleboarding had two reschedules due to the weather. Even so there were 5 participants which was good. Morsel Monk would like continue to participate in this event next year.
  - Other events: 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade, Historical Society 169 towns; Outhouse Lecture, FRCC Events and the Summer concerts in New Hartford

### New Business:

Review of new flyers for Karate- two programs, Mindful Movement-two programs- Pickleball added on two free nights and also launching a 10 week season. Janice Delvaccio is interested in being a Pickleball monitor for this program too. Will collect registrations on the first two demo days. Committee members suggested donating two-four paddles. Also suggested was t-shirts and a possible t-shirt contest.

- Halloween Sock Hop is set for 10/21/19 – committee members will help stuff bags at the next meeting. DJ is set for one more payment
- The Pre-Thanksgiving Hike is set for 11/23/19, moved to a Saturday this year. Two hike levels offered this year to accommodate all hikers!

- Creative Crafters – 12/7/19 Donna mentioned entering a tree for the Grange Fundraiser and having the camp director Ella McPherson offer a “parents project table” so they can have fun, too. Committee agreed to both.

Pam Welles moved to adjourn and Melissa Lynn seconded the motion. Meeting was adjourned at 8:25 pm.

Minutes submitted by Nora Bishop.