

Barkhamsted Recreation Commission Meeting October 15, 2018

Meeting called to order at 7:02 pm. Commission members Peter Bakker Jr., Director Donna Carnay-Bastrzycki, Melissa Roy, Nora Bishop and Deb Simon. Pamela Welles and Cara Nguyen absent.

There was no public input.

The June minutes had one correction: 4th of July "Parade" Peter approved the correction and Nora seconded and the minutes were accepted.

Correspondence has been received on the following activities: Ski Club, Halloween Sock Hop details, logistics, PTO; Meditation and Motion course, including recommendations from the Norfolk Recreation Commission; the Recreation Department/FRCC/FALPS* Fall Hike; and Pickleball.

Old business:

Karate is off to a good start as 5 are registered in class. There was no interest in the new self defense course so it has been cancelled. The sock hop added additional prizes and new gift cards with 10 prize categories. Decorating begins at 4:30 pm on 10/26/18. The Fall Hike on 11/18 still needs supplies. Once folks confirm, supplies will be ordered. The hike starts on Jesse Gerard trail (weather dependent) and may be able to walk to both lookouts. Food is available at the top and anyone from youth to seniors can participate. This is a joint event led by Barkhamsted Recreation and FRCC River Steward and also FALPS. Christmas Crafters is set on 12/8/18 during the Christmas in Riverton weekend. Donna is working on supplies, drop off for the supplies will be the night before at the Riverton Grange. There will be 3 crafting tables and set up begins at 11:30 am. Ski Club - a couple of registrations so far, the targeted grades are 3-6. There are waivers for the Rec Commission/Ski Sundown and the goal is 15-20 youth. The bus costs approximately \$150 and the minimum is 8 participants.

New business:

Peter handed out the Rec Commission Transaction Detail by Account Report July through August 2018. There is funding available for family free programs and supplies. Donna is waiting for clarification of items that are not a part of the Rec budget: Riverton AA Festival and Theater Group, both have balances in those accounts and should be directed towards those groups.

There has been a request to the Rec Commission to look at the possibility of starting a Pickle Ball league if enough interest is generated. Donna has already done some initial research on this activity. A large space for a court, purchase of a PB kit, instruction and coordination, and start up costs were discussed. So far, the interest (as of this meeting date) was 7 responses. Commission will revisit if interest rises perhaps in the spring.

Mind/Meditation class to begin in January on Tuesday nights at the Barkhamsted Elementary school. One adult class and one family class, six sessions are being planned. There has been good interest in the classes. Donna is still working on hourly rates and will have the pricing set by the next Commission meeting.

Motion to adjourn by Peter Bakker, Jr and seconded by Melissa Lynn at 8:20 pm.

Minutes submitted by Nora Bishop

*FALPS/FRCC- Farmington Friends of American Legion & People's State Forest/

Farmington River Coordinating Committee