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Town of North Canaan
Recreation Commission
July 18, 2023

Present: Chairwoman Lindsey Crane, Shawn Finney, Tanya Rousiss, Director Adam Bunce

Excused: Tracy Allyn, Laura Bosio, Marilisa Camardi

Chairwoman Crane called the meeting to order: 7:29pm and a quorum was established.

Ms. Rousiss made a motion to accept the minutes as read. Mr. Finney seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Public comment: Chairwoman Crane gave Nameer Abou-Hamze the floor for discussion of the Swim for Win Foundation. This was created in memory of Steven Wingard with the intention to help pay for swimming lessons for children who may not be able to otherwise afford this. This is a brand-new foundation, so they are still trying to figure out the best way to distribute the funds. The current fund balance is \$150. There was a discussion on whether swimming lessons were the best way this year or perhaps they could reimburse something at the pool if it is too late for swimming lessons. The suggestion was made that next year they get the school involved prior to summer. Chairwoman Crane will speak with the town treasurer to figure out the best way to accept the funds (whether it be a donation or reimbursement or something else) and will get back to Mr. Hamze once she has answers. They will also be going to Falls Village and offering the same thing.

Director report: Mr. Bunce gave the following updates:

Baseball - the All Stars are still playing and fall ball sign ups will be happening soon (probably by the end of July. Babe Ruth is on-going. Baseball Camp was cancelled this year due to not enough sign ups. Mr. Finney pointed out that the Basketball camp was also cancelled for the same reason. There were coaches set up. The pool is up and running and the first swim meet was last week. Our swim meet will be this Thursday. Things are going well with swimming lessons. The three older guards are running it and they are all engaged and working with the kids. There was an issue with the old pump not starting after the new gauge was put on. Mr. Bunce was able to fix this. A new flow meter is being installed tomorrow which may help with the flow problems. Water is still being lost somewhere which could be a leak in the return. There was a discussion of what was dug up last year, however, this could be a new leak not necessarily an existing one. Mr. Bunce believes they can limp along for now. There have been a lot of people from out of town coming in and paying to use the pool. Chairwoman Crane asked about floaties being used at tomorrow night's pool movie night. The decision was made to allow them as long as everyone is just floating and watching the movie. If any jumping/swimming/splashing happens they will have to be removed as a safety precaution. There will be four guards on duty. There was a discussion about the pump. It runs 24/7 in order to keep the water clear. Mr. Bunce is not sure shutting it off at night would be a good idea.

Treasurer report: Chairwoman Crane read the report into record. **Mr. Finney made a motion to accept the report as read. Ms. Rousiss seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

Old Business:

Railroad Days Events: Mr. Finney will be attending tomorrow night's movie event, which is from 5-7pm. Chairwoman Crane will be getting 75 popsicles and delivering them to the Little League freezer. Thursday from 6-8pm is the punt/pass/kick event. The Chairwoman has the medals. Director Bunce has the tape measurer and the ball equipment. There will be several things going on. Director Bunce will be in attendance.

Scout Eagle Projects - These are still in progress but there are no updates.

New Business:

Commission member terms. There was nothing on file at the town hall, so Chairwoman Crane is working on getting information together. Selectman Perotti has requested that the bylaws be updated to reflect the sample that he gave her. She will work on this for next month's meeting. The Recording secretary will look for any possible term information in past selectmen minutes.

Pool House lights – Mr. Finney is going to replace all of them. The count is fourteen fixtures. There was a question as to whether the town will pay the bill or if it is reimbursed to him? Mr. Finney will reach out to Marilisa to figure out the best way to pay for them.

NC Recreation Sponsorship group/family events: Laura Bosio requested this be on the agenda, but she was unable to make the meeting. This will be on next month's agenda.

There is nothing further to come before the commission.

Ms. Rousiss made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Finney seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30pm

Respectfully submitted,

Ayrslea A Odell

Recording Secretary