

Town of Sanbornton ~ Recreation Commission~ Meeting Minutes

August 13, 2019 ~ 7:00 p.m. ~ DPW Garage

Members: Joel Smith, Tracy Seavey, Jacquelyn Riendeau and John Olmstead-Selectmen Representative

Present: Joel Smith, John Olmstead, Tracy Seavey; Coordinator: Julie Lonergan; and Dolly Elliott

Meeting opened at 7:00pm.

Meeting Minutes: A motion was made by Olmstead and seconded by Seavey to accept the meeting minutes for the May 14th, 2019 Recreation Commission monthly meeting with corrections.

Vote: Affirmative-Unanimous.

** No meeting on June 11th due to lack of quorum and there is no meeting scheduled in July.*

Financials: The committee reviewed the expenses and revenue for May, June and July. A motion was made by Seavey and seconded by Smith to approve the financials as presented.

Vote: Affirmative-Unanimous

Revolving Fund: A motion by Seavey and seconded by Smith to approve \$3,500.00 from the Revolving Fund for recreational activities (\$600.00 Halloween Party & Trunk or Treat; \$1,900.00 for soccer & field hockey shirts, socks and supplies; \$1,000.00 for an adult trip TBD).

Vote: Affirmative-Unanimous.

Donation: Lonergan said the BOS accepted a standing desk donation from Irene Gosselin at their last meeting. Lonergan will make sure to send a thank you.

Beaches: Lonergan updated that the new staff at Winnisquam Beach was working out very well. There have been complaints of glass on the beach. Lonergan explained that with the raking being done every day, it is probably being brought to the surface. Lonergan also brought up that we will need to do something about the rafts. The raft on Hermit is okay but will not last too much longer. The raft that should have gone out on Winnisquam was so badly damaged it was not worth repairing. Lonergan will get some prices for new rafts. The Commission discussed the rafts and they will decide at a future meeting if they want to replace them or go without rafts. Lonergan also noted that both beaches need new ropes and buoys. Lonergan will price them out.

Summer Day Camp: Lonergan noted that camp went very well this year. There were many fun field trips and great creative crafts for the campers. The last field trip of camp was to Cannon Mountain and Lost River; it was fantastic and beautiful weather. Lonergan praised Elliott for doing such a nice job this summer. Some of the challenges that were faced were: training new staff, drop-in day campers, late sign-ups, and behavioral issues. Unfortunately, some of these issues are very stressful and take up a lot of time. The handbook needs to be revised and Lonergan will work with the new TA for guidance. Elliott expressed that staff training is difficult.

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Elliott requested that next year we hire fifteen-year-olds as lead teacher assistants. This will take a huge burden off the lead teacher and make camp more enjoyable for all. Elliott clarified that they can never be alone with children or supervise them without the lead teacher present.

Before & After School: Staff is in place to start off the new school year. There may be a need to hire a “floating” staff member from 3:15-4:30pm. Elliott is meeting with current staff on Monday morning (August 26th) to go over schedules and any changes in the program.

Swimming Lessons: Another great year of lessons provided by Swim NH. Lonergan will definitely contact them again next year for lessons.

Annual Halloween Party: This year’s party is scheduled for Saturday, October 26th 3-5pm at SCS.

Trunk or Treat: This year’s event has a tentative date of Sunday, October 27th. Seavey will reach out to PD & FD and discuss the schedule.

Fall Soccer: Starting September 3rd at the Town Park.

Fall Field Hockey: Starting September 9th at the Town Park.

Adult Co-Ed Volleyball: Starting September 9th at 7pm in the SCS gym.

Adult Co-Ed Pickle Ball: Starting September 12th at 5:30pm in the SCS gym.

Adult Trip: Lonergan asked the Commission for suggestions. Smith recommended the Green Mountain Railway as a possibility. Lonergan noted that King Arthur is always a huge hit.

A motion was made by Smith and seconded by Seavey to adjourn the meeting at 7:52pm.

Vote: Affirmative-Unanimous

Next Meeting: Tuesday, September 10th, 2019 at 7:00 pm at the Highway Garage.

Respectfully Submitted:

Julie Lonergan

Julie Lonergan, Coordinator

These minutes are in draft form and are subject to review/change and approval of the Recreation Commission