

Woodstock Recreation Commission

Meeting Minutes

Monday, March 8, 2021

Present: Anthony Pezzetti (Director), Sarah Bentley, Marie Chamberlin, Erika Smith

Absent: Amy Monahan

Next meeting: April 12, 2021 @ 7:00P (Zoom)

Meeting called to order by Chair Bentley at 7:05 PM.

The WRC approved minutes for the February 8, 2021 meeting (MOTION: Sarah Bentley, second: Marie Chamberlin, unanimous).

Recreation Director Report

Director Pezzetti provided an update on the status of current programs, upcoming programs, past events, and possible future programs to members of the Woodstock Recreation Commission (WRC).

Current programs

Adult Winter Yoga Session II, 6 participants, ends March 22nd. Hoping to bring the next class session (Spring Session) in person to the Academy (Yoga Room, North Campus). Plan to include a virtual option for anyone who does feel comfortable attending in person. There may be a small cleaning fee for using the face.

Think Spring Virtual Art Classes – 2 sessions: March 31st (WES) and April 7th (WMS) both run 6:30-7:30pm, garden theme watercolor class. Virtual art class needs additional promotion; Erika Smith expressed a desire to create online enrollment options for programs, will also reach out to local Girl Scout troop leaders to share event.

Upcoming Programs

Adult Spring Yoga – start 3/29, held at WA North Campus Yoga Room

April Babysitter Training Course – April 12th and 13th at WA from 5-8pm

Marie asked about the possibility of outdoor dog training as a possible spring program, depending on weekend availability of fields for location.

Town-wide (Earth Month) clean up; Sprucedale will sponsor again this year. Will reuse the trash tracker forms again and enter returned forms for raffle (5 gift cards). Smaller items will go to

transfer station. Will not be sharing pickers to reduce potential COVID exposure issues. The program will run through the month of April and raffle will take place at the end of the month.

Squirt Soccer program will likely be offered during the first week of May. Verifying location and dates; tentatively planning for Soccer Field off Senexet Village Road.

StarGazer Farm, 5-sessions with 4 kids in each session (minimum of 2 children needed to run each session). \$225.00 last year, anticipating \$235.00/week (8A-12P), includes camp t-shirt. 70/30 split with WRC. Eligible for 7 to 11-year-old children.

The Road Race and parade will not be held Memorial Day weekend. Given that it will be the 40th anniversary, would rather hold in person when it can be a special event. Plan to honor the individual who founded it.

Past Programs

Senior Stretch and Balance class (offered virtually) – 4 participants registered.

Possible Programs

Virtual Easter Egg Hunt @ Roseland Cottage – proposed plan is virtual easter egg hunt with kids answering trivia questions to find eggs hidden on the website and following event prizes awarded to kids who find all the eggs (7 days leading to Easter). Prizes would be mailed out. Discussed possibility of virtual Easter program in place of the annual egg hunt. Possible story time with the Easter Bunny and simple craft that could be done virtually.

Drive-in (more like picnic blankets and “sit”-in) Movie Night @ Roseland Cottage – dates? Equipment can be borrowed from another Historic New England location, looking for way to allow audio to be accessed through car radios or Bluetooth; exploring access to equipment and timing for a movie night.

Exploring the option of bringing in food trucks (Butts BBQ, Unbound Glory) or vendors for summer concert series. Grassroots and The Little Big Band will be two of the three featured this summer.

Discussion and Citizen Comments

None.

Meeting adjourned at 7:53PM (MOTION: Bentley, Second: Chamberlin; unanimous)

Link to access meeting - <https://youtu.be/wuZLJ5DUG0s>

Respectfully submitted by Erika Cornelius Smith, March 13, 2021.