

# Woodstock Recreation Commission Minutes

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Monday, September 12, 2022

7:00 pm

Woodstock Town Hall Room C

**1. Call to order:** Sarah Bentley called meeting to order at 7:01 pm

- a. **Members Present:** Amy Monahan, Marie Chamberlin, Kathy LaBonte, Sarah Bentley
- b. **Members Absent:** none
- c. **Others Present:** Recreation Director Erin Lucas, Jessica Weaver Boose

**2. Approve Minutes from meeting on May 9, 2022**

- a. **\*Motion** made by Sarah Bentley to approve and adopt the minutes from meeting held on May 9, 2022.  
**\*Seconded** by Kathy LaBonte. No Discussion. **\*Motion passed unanimously.**

**3. Recreation Director Report**

a. Summer Review

- i. Basketball- There was an insurance issue with host that resulted in promotion limitations for this year. This problem already resolved for next year. There were 14 kids and program had great reviews all around.
- ii. Volleyball- Huge turnout and success. Item to remember: Pomfret School is not air conditioned and it was very hot this summer.
- iii. Tennis- Younger group sold out but older ages did not fill. Pomfret Recreation was amazing to work with and we look forward to partner with them again.
- iv. Golf- Amazing program that sold out. The team at the Woodstock Golf Course was amazing and they already have ideas to improve for next year.
  - 1. The Board of Roseland Park is now running the golf course. At this time, the golf course is working out well and supporting itself. This is a great opportunity for rejuvenating our golf course and opening up the sport to younger kids.
- v. Pony Camp- Another awesome sold-out program. Be sure to check out the facility at one of the open barns at Stargazer Farm.
- vi. Roseland Cottage Concert Series- over 400 people at each show. The people loved Dynamite Rhythm. Recreation needs to address funding these concerts in the future.
  - 1. Erin would like to send out a 2023 sponsorship list with all sponsor opportunities. This will be further explored at the next meeting.
  - 2. Town Beach is also a funding concern that needs to be addressed. Funding Recreation more like a business may be a necessity for the future. The idea of donation buckets at Recreation events was discussed.

b. Past Programs

- i. Girls Coding Class Opportunity- There were about 6 girls that participated. Even though a small group, the feedback from parents was excellent. Erin will look into further options
- ii. Yoga- YOGA is currently on hold from recreation

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## c. Current programs

- i. Senior Knitting Club – Nothing to report.
- ii. Squirt Soccer- 56 kids currently enrolled. The location has moved from Senexet Field to the Woodstock Common at the Academy due to lack of parking. Parent volunteers are always welcome!

## d. Upcoming Programs

- i. Adult Golf- This was set up as men and women sessions. Only 1 male registered so the session was changed to co-ed. There are 11 registered for this program.
- ii. Adult Tennis- Only 3 registered. There is still the rest of this week for registering.
- iii. Afterschool Lego- A second session was added due to popular demand. This is a very popular program with over 30 kids registered. There is possible winter session to be scheduled
- iv. Babysitting Class- There is 1 spot left open before waiting list is started.
- v. After School Volleyball- Plan to start in November
- vi. Roseland Cottage Trick or Treat
  - 1. This event is scheduled for Friday, October 28th
- vii. Roseland Park Trunk or Treat
  - 1. This event is scheduled for Saturday, October 29th
- viii. NYC Bus Trip- This trip is in conjunction with Pomfret Recreation. There are 33 seats open so sign up before sold out.
- ix. Winter Festival
  - 1. Wreath Raffle- There are currently a dozen wreath committed but we are looking for more. Please consider joining the festivities and submit a wreath for this event.
    - a. Recreation members will email Erin with thoughts about ticket pricing.
  - 2. Sponsors- \$1150 has already been committed from sponsors. The Recreation Department is looking to get \$2500 in sponsorship to cover all advertising needed to make this a successful event.
  - 3. Marketing- Sign ups need to happen ASAP for vendors and map information. Please be sure to remind crafters and businesses to sign up by the October 1<sup>st</sup> deadline.
- x. K-4 Basketball- in the works, nothing to report at this time.
- xi. 5-8 Basketball- in the works, nothing to report at this time.
- xii. Ski Club- in the works, nothing to report at this time.
- xiii. Adult Co-Ed Volleyball- Mondays through the school year at WMS Gym, 30 registered, 8:30 during basketball season starting next week (September
- xiv. Adult Co-Ed Basketball - Tuesdays through school year at WMS Gym, 8:30 during basketball season starting next week (September.

## e. Discussion: New or Old Business, budget

- i. Erin's Vacation
  - 1. Recreation Director Erin Lucas will be gone from October 18<sup>th</sup> thru November 1<sup>st</sup> and the next meeting will be on Tuesday, October 11<sup>th</sup> in order to meet before Erin leaves for vacation.
- ii. Woodstock Walks- will discuss at next meeting
- iii. Tennis Court Resurfacing- Nothing new to report

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## iv. Seniors

1. Erin has reached out to Sue Conner to see what Woodstock Seniors are looking for in programming.

## 4. Citizens Comments

- a. None

## 5. Adjournment

- a. **\*Motion** made Sarah Bentley by to Adjourn. **\*Seconded** by Marie Chamberlin. **\*The motion passed unanimously.** Meeting Adjourned at 8:21 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Amy Monahan. DISCLAIMER: These minutes have not yet been approved by the Recreation Commission. Please refer to next month's meeting for approval/amendments.