

Woodstock Recreation Commission Minutes

Monday, December 12, 2022

7:00 pm

Woodstock Town Hall Room C

1. **Call to order:** Sarah Bentley, Committee Chair called meeting to order at 7:03
 - a. Members Present: Sarah Bentley, Amy Monahan, Kathy LaBonte, Marie Chamberlin, Sue Swan
 - b. Others Present: None
2. **Approve Minutes from Meeting on November 7, 2022**
 - a. A ***Motion** was made by Sarah Bentley to approve and adopt the minutes from meeting held on November 7, 2022. ***Seconded** by Marie Chamberlin. No Discussion. ***Motion passed unanimously.**
3. **Recreation Director Report**
 - a. Current Programs
 - i. Senior Knitting- On hiatus through December
 - ii. 5-8 Basketball- Practices have started and teams have been formed. 7th and 8th grade girls will be combined with Pomfret. Wentworth Tournament planning has begun and at this point the South Campus Gym is not available. The commission requests that the Academy be approached again about the use of South Campus for the Wentworth Tournament and suggestions were given for the conversation.
 - b. Upcoming Programs
 - i. K-4 Basketball- Deadline for registration is December 22, 2022. Shirts will be provided by local businesses this year- Thank you to John Tremblay from Polaris Mortgage Group, Jon Roy of Roy's Tree Service, John Murdock of Murdock Electric and Johnston Associates!
 - ii. Ski Club- Currently over 80 registered for this program
 - iii. Giving Tree- Sue Swan is working on the donations with Crystal Adams to fill the needs on the Giving Tree.
 - iv. Winter Lego- There are 2 age groups for the winter Lego Session. Elementary groups are almost full but middle school level still has low registration numbers.
 - v. Winter Volleyball- Registration numbers are looking comparable to last year.
 - c. Discussion: New or Old Business, budget
 - i. Winter Festival Recap- Tremendously successful event this year. This year was very well attended.
 1. Total donations in bucket- just over \$100
 2. Total Cash- 786.50
 3. Total CC- 270.00
 4. \$1056.50 total that will be split with the park
 5. 96 passports were collected for this year's festival
 - ii. 2023 Sponsorships
 1. Erin Lucas provided a list of events and their typical costs.
 - a. Concerts- \$3000
 - b. Town Beach- \$4500 (constables and water treatment)
 - c. Winter Festival- \$3000
 - d. Road Race- \$2250
 - e. Easter/Halloween- \$1000

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- f. Additional Sponsor Recognition (banners, ads)- \$1000
 - i. Total Sponsorship needed- \$14,750
 - 2. The plan is to offer full year multi event sponsorships in addition to the current dedicated sponsorships. Erin Lucas will continue to develop the sponsorship plan.
 - 3. The commission discussed a Beach Party as a possible event for next year at the Town Beach.
 - iii. Line Dancing
 - 1. This event will partner with the Senexet Grange and the Line Dancing Program will take place in the Grange Dance Hall. More information to come about this future event.
- 4. **Citizens Comments**
 - a. Amy Monahan announced that there will be a Tri-Board Town Meeting on Tuesday, January 17, 2022 at 6 pm in the Woodstock Middle School Cafeteria. There will be an open forum meeting immediately following the Tri-Board Meeting at 7 pm for public participation.
 - b. Sue Swan noted that additional lighting is needed in the barn for the next Winter Festival.
- 5. **Adjournment**
 - a. ***Motion** made Sarah Bentley by to Adjourn. ***Seconded** by Sue Swan. ***The motion passed unanimously.** Meeting Adjourned at 7:57 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.