Board of Recreation Meeting

Monday, August 27, 2018

Community Center

6:00pm

1. Call to Order**:** M. Phillips called the meeting to order @ 6:04.
2. Roll Call: Present: M. Phillips, J. Milliard, C. Dunn, T. Mason, M. Johndrow, M. Hayes, Lynn LaBerge Absent with notification: J. Hallbergh. Absent without notification: H. Flexer

1. Citizen’s Participation: N/A
2. Correspondence:
   1. Bradley Playhouse: Card of thanks for use of our theater as their theater was in use.
   2. TEAG: use of tennis courts for a program during the summer for children: a mention in their annual giving calendar of KPRD for the non-charge and reservation of the courts.
   3. KBA: Card of thanks for donation of gift certificate for KPRD programs.
   4. Several letters and emails of praise regarding Camp Wallaby and Theater Camp.
3. Adoption of Minutes: L. LaBerge made the motion to accept the minutes for the May 2018 meeting C. Dunn seconds. No further discussion passes unanimously.

1. Unfinished Business:
   1. Theater: Heidi Freeman has officially has joined as theater coordinator. All shows for this season have been scheduled with many new members coming in. The theater group will have a float in this year’s Tomato Festival.
   2. Camp Wallaby: T. Mason shares Camp Wallaby was fully enrolled for this summer season. Currently staff evaluations, challenges within the camp, and ways in which to improve are taking place. T. Mason addresses camp had young new staff this year and issues of room readiness. C. Dunn asked if there were any alternatives to Mashamoquet State Park. Potential plans for the future are additional trips to water locations and/or utilize the water elements created by staff at camp location (ie: water balloons, slip and slide). The older groups do not seem to have an interest in swimming activities.
   3. Summer Events: RWB, as always was well attended, with a new addition of parachutes. The department is looking to decrease the numbers for the chicken BBQ as we have added additional vendors. Summer concerts average attendance of 200. Jeff Grocki donates his time and equipment for all of our concerts including the Red,White and Blue BBQ and bike night. Again a very successful Bike Night with attendance of approximately 1600 bikes and 5500+ people in attendance. The custom bike portion numbers continue to increase, this year numbers were approximately 100. The department is grateful for the participation of Westfield Church and the donation of $500 from Rotary. It was nice to have L.LaBerge volunteer to open the Historical Society Building.
   4. Building Update: Work is on hold due to the monies for the improvements to the historical building so we are awaiting to see the effects of fund distribution and if and how it may adjust the plans for CC.
2. New Business:
   1. Tomato Festival: Anthony and Pam currently working on food vendors, Anthony is also working with Danielson Adventure Sports adding two recreational cycle rides.
   2. Fall Brochure: has been mailed to residents of Killingly
3. Director’s Report: a. Softball League: Hopefully finishing up during the middle/end of August. The four team modified league was taken back, in collaboration with the USSSA umpires. For the past few years the league has not been run by the recreation department.
4. Other:
5. Liaison Report: Board of Ed. N/A

Town Council Liaison Report: Board of Ed. N/ATwo public hearing dates were set one for an ordinance granting a defined traffic easement to the Connecticut Dept. of Transportation for a 121 square foot portion of a Town owned property at 339 Main St. (in front of KMS for stop light) and the other for an ordinance authorizing the sale of a 1.4 acre portion of a Town owned parcel located at 31 Wauregan Rd to Hutchinson Precision Sealing Systems (this is the old Borough Sewer Plant and some surrounding property).

There were discussions on the progress/status of the Killingly Police, recruitment process for a new Town Manager, a proposed referendum question regarding the town wide curb side pickup and the formation of a Charter Revision Commission.

1. **Adjourned:** Motion made by C.Dunn to adjourn. M.Johndrow second, no further discussion, meeting adjourned @ 6:45 pm.