

TOWN OF GOSHEN
RECREATION COMMISSION

REGULAR MEETING

Monday, October 18, 2021

Present: Don Patterson, Chairman; Sarah Leonard; Nanci Howard; Patrick Lucas, Garret Harlow; Katie Hennessy, Recreation Director.

1 Call to order: 7:03 p.m.

In a **motion** made by Don Patterson, seconded by Patrick Lucas, it was **voted** to add to the agenda item
2. Secretary's Report. Voted unanimous.

In a **motion** made by Don Patterson, seconded by Sarah Leonard, it was **voted** to add to the agenda item
3. Financial Report. Voted unanimous.

2. Secretary's Report: In a **motion** made by Sarah Leonard, seconded by Nanci Howard, it was **voted** to approve the minutes of the meeting of September 20, 2021 as corrected: *The Archery program participants sold out 8 (with 14 on the waiting list.* Motion carried with Garret Harlow abstaining.

3. Financial Report: The Commissioners voted at a previous meeting to distribute the "financial" report on quarterly basis rather than each month. At this meeting, however, another discussion resulted in a compromise that a shortened version of the "financial" report showing only "budgeted" vs. "actual" would be included in each month's meeting packet.

4. Programming Report:

The Programming Report can be made available at the end of each season with a culmination of all those seasons' programs.

Senior Fitness – Community Care & Hospice along with Director Hennessy reported that the participants for the Senior Fitness program are very enthusiastic. So much so, senior citizens would like *additional* fitness programming through the winter with added levels of difficulty.

Town-Wide Tag Sale- Great success. Thirty-four (34) participants.

Town-Wide Community Picnic – There were approximately 100 participants. This event is being revived from previous years and will be larger in 2022 in collaboration with other departments, Fire Department, Library, etc.

Goshen Business Circle/Art Tour- Created community art project and discussed a new art fair/collaborative grant art programs for the town.

5. Upcoming Events:

Shane M. Kinsella Annual Run – Saturday, October 16th; beginning 11:00 a.m. Over \$9,500 received in donations. This event will be scheduled in the Spring as had been done

Goshen Public Library Festival – **FREE** Camp Coch, Saturday, October 23rd, 11:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Pre-K thru 6th grade; Spooky Story Hour, fun crafts, paint pumpkins, caramel apples. Come in costume.

Family photos at photo booth. Thanks to efforts of Ryan Strazza and the Goshen Recreation Commission.

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Halloween Party- Anticipating approximately 125 attendants. WAMOGO students as tour guides.

Haunted House, game room. Much fun.

Turkey Trot- info forthcoming; refer to Goshen Website

Mohawk Ski Program: Six consecutive Tuesdays; More info to follow.

Bus Trips:

Holiday Light Fantasia- Thursday, Dec. 2nd – 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Hartford – 2 mile show at Goodwin Park. FREE

CT Science Center, Wednesday, January 12, 2022, state-of-art 3-D digital theater, daily programs and events, Connecticut Science Center endless programs. \$15.

Lunch at the WHITE HORSE RESTAURANT – New Preston, CT. Wednesday, February 9, 2022. 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. Very popular rustic neighborhood restaurant. Relaxing fire-side lunch. This restaurant has received 67 awards.

6. Old Business:

“Policies and Procedures” handbook will be presented to the November; voted on at Town Meeting.

7. Long-Term Facility Improvement:

As discussed at last month’s meeting the priorities were designated as:

- Pavilion
- Grounds at Camp Coch
- Purchase kyaks, boards
- Maintenance needed at Camp Coch Lodge
- Playground
- Ice-Rink (adjacent to GCS)*
- Removal of Out-House at Camp Coch
- In-ground swimming pool

*Discussed using “fill” to decrease the depth on one side of the pond; reduce size of pond; get bids for maintenance.

Steps to Pavilion Installation:

1. Choose basic design, materials and construction
2. Site Plan
3. Submit Site Plan to Torrington Area Health
4. Site Plan Application (zoning permit)
5. Write RFP
6. RFP Release October 15
7. Building Permit
8. RFP Deadline: Tuesday, November 9, 2021
9. BOS open bids November 9, 2021
10. Site work to begin last week of April
11. Delivery: May 2, 2022

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12. Construction: first week of May

13. Estimated cost: \$36K

8. Other Business:

In a **motion** made by Don Patterson, seconded by Nanci Howard, it was voted to approve the Recreation Commission Meeting Calendar for 2022. Voted unanimous.

Monday, January 24, 2022

Monday, February 28, 2022

Monday, March 21, 2022

Monday, April 18, 2022

Monday, May 16, 2022

Monday, June 20, 2022

Monday, July 18, 2022

Monday, August 15, 2022

Monday, September 19, 2022

Monday, October 17, 2022

Monday, November 21, 2022

Monday, December 19, 2022

8. Adjournment:

In a **motion** made by Patrick Lucas, seconded by Garret Harlow, it was **voted** to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 p.m. Voted unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Lucille A. Paige, Recording Secretary