

Town of Goshen
RECREATION COMMISSION
Regular Meeting
Monday, November 16, 2020

PRESENT: Colleen Kinkade, Recreation Director; Don Patterson, Chairman; Garret Harlow; Erin Reilly; Patrick Lucas, Sarah Leonard
EXCUSED: Nanci Howard

1 Call to order: 7:00 p.m.

2. Secretary's Report:

In a **motion** made by Erin Reilly, seconded by Patrick Lucas, it was **voted** to approve the minutes of the October 19, 2020 meeting. Voted unanimous.

3. Treasury Report: The Commissioners reviewed the Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual July 2020 thru June 2021. Totals presented on this summary are 33.86%. Anticipated income is on target. The Program Income Report 9/1/2020 to 11/12/2020 totaled \$2,621.00. Additional income is anticipated. In a **motion** made by Garret Harlow, seconded by Sarah Leonard, it was voted to accept the Treasury report as presented. Voted unanimous.

4. Programming Report:

Halloween Drive-Thru: 150 children participated in the drive-thru. The event was a *great success*, all of the parents were pleased and expressed their appreciation. A sincere thank you goes out to all of the volunteers, and to John McKenna of the *Republican American*. All the photos taken of the kids in their costumes were given out to the parents. It was a great evening.

Activity Bags for October were very successful. The Activity Bags for **November** were nearly sold out in one day. Obviously, these bags are really popular with our residents.

The **Activity Bag for December** will feature the Holiday theme. Gingerbread Houses and other holiday items will be available.

Goshen Turkey Trot: The Goshen Turkey Trot will be conducted in "virtual" mode. There will be a "shirt" pickup Thanksgiving morning at the Goshen Fair Grounds, where a cider and a donut can be picked up via a "drive-thru". The shirts for the race have been pre-ordered (110). Participants will log their miles on-line.

In a **motion** made by Don Patterson, seconded by Patrick Lucas, it was **voted** to add to the agenda under **6. New Business**, Playground. Voted unanimous.

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5. Old Business:

Use of Camp Lodge for activities:

Due to the uptick in COVID-19 cases throughout Connecticut, the Governor has gone back to Executive Order 2-1, effective 11/6/2020. Thus no “in-house” activities will take place at Camp Coch Lodge until further notice. The *Seniors* regular Tuesday meetings at the Congregational Church have also been cancelled. Overall, a successful program outdoors during the pandemic.

Field Hockey: Department of Public Health – moderate risk. The players used their own equipment, balls, sticks, etc. Temperatures were taken, hand sanitizer was plentiful, distancing was observed – all safety measures were in place.

6. New Business:

Annual Town Meeting to be held Monday, November 16, 2020 at 8:00 p.m. - will be held both by virtual mode and in-person attendance. Two Recreation Commissioners are up for re-election, Erin Reilly and Patrick Lucas.

Playground: John Hovernak, from *Creative Recreation Inc.* reached out to inquire as to how our Playground project is going. He was told that due to the COVID-19 issues, the project has been placed on hold.

7. Other Business: None

8. Adjournment: In a **motion** made by Erin Reilly, seconded by Patrick Lucas, it was **voted** to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 p.m. Voted unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Lucille A. Paige, Board Clerk