

TOWN OF NEWTON, NH



Recreation Commission

2 Town Hall Road Newton, NH 03858

Date: October 21, 2019

Call to Order - 7:04 pm

<u>In attendance</u> – Chairman Vanessa Burrill, Vice Chairman Christine Kuzmitski, Rick Faulconer, William Harding, Peggy Connors, and Patricia Masterson (recording minutes).

Approval of Minutes

Chairman Burrill made a Motion to approve the Minutes for October 7, 2019, and Mr. Faulconer seconded the Motion, which was unanimously approved with the following amendment: "Chairman Burrill moved that the Recreation Commission came out of a non-public session under RSA 91-A:311(a) — Compensation — and that they keep all matters discussed confidential until in the opinion of the majority of the Commission the circumstances no longer apply except to inform the Bookkeeper of any pertinent information that needs to be disseminated. Chairman Burrill made a Motion to close the non-public session at 7:15 p.m. Mr. Faulconer seconded the Motion with a unanimous roll call vote: Burrill — aye, Kuzmitski — aye, Faulconer — aye, Connors — aye.". Chairman Burrill appointed Ms. Connors as a Voting Member for the Meeting.

Trunk or Treat Recap, October 19, 4:30-6:30 p.m.

15 trunks registered, and 13 showed. \$675 was spent for the event for a DJ, portable toilet, candy and prizes.

Next year, we will post the event in the school newsletter and inside on the Town Hall bulletin board. It was advertised on Facebook, in Carriage Town News, on the Town sign boards, and on the local cable station.

We will ask residents to donate candy to help the trunk participants with hand-outs. Ms. Connors suggested having a collection box for candy next year in the Town Hall for all residents to donate candy for the event. It would help to contribute to the candy distributed by the people participating in the trunks.

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One of the fire fighters was to be a judge but had to leave on a call. Next year, we will ask residents who don't have children participating to judge.

Should we have a costume contest for adults?

We may want a vendor to sell water, cider or hot chocolate.

<u>Jingle Bell Run – December 7, 2019, noon</u>

Chairman Burrill will post the race notice on ACTIVE.

Registration will be \$20 in advance and \$25 at the door.

Cookies, brownies and hot chocolate will be in the Fire Station after the race. Chairman Burrill will handle the race timing and tally the medals and winners. Vice Chairman Kuzmitski will coordinate the tee shirt distribution.

Setup is at 10 a.m. Registration opens at 11 a.m.

<u>Veteran's Day Breakfast – November 11, 10 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.</u>

The Veterans Day breakfast and commemoration will be held at the Memorial School. The event is hosted by the Board of Selectmen, but they need volunteers. Mr. Faulconer, Ms. Connors and Ms. Masterson will volunteer. Volunteers are needed between 8:30 a.m. and 9:00 a.m.

Packer Meadows Luncheon – October 29 - noon

Due to low registration for the upcoming December Senior Luncheon, we will use the extra funds to host a luncheon at Packer Meadows. Lunch will be brought from Acio's and delivered to Packer Meadows.

25 residents are registered to date.

Vice Chairman Kuzmitski made a Motion to spend up to \$400 for lunches to be distributed at Packer Meadows. Mr. Harding seconded the Motion, which passed unanimously with no discussion.

Ms. Kuzmitski contacted Welfare Representative Tina O'Rourke for information on 60 year-old shut-ins to determine if we can distribute gift cards from Walmart or a grocery store.

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We may want to use funds to provide dessert at the Senior Luncheon as the contract with Roma Restaurant only includes the meal.

Recreation Commission Budget

We still have outstanding invoices for Trunk or Treat, Olde Home Day and the Jingle Run. We also will receive \$550 from Landscapers Depot for beach sand that was not delivered.

The budget will remain the same with these exceptions: Reduce "Other Expenses" from \$250 to \$60; increase "Postage" to \$40; increase "Telephone" to \$170. We will move the "Salary – Beach" to a Town Warrant Article.

Should we have a Winter event for Seniors, such as making wreaths and holiday greens at the Newton Greenhouse?

Should we have a Winter event, such as a movie or sledding?

Chairman Burrill made a Motion to approve the 2020 budget with these exceptions: Reduce "Other Expenses" from \$250 to \$60; increase "Postage" to \$40; increase "Telephone" to \$170. We will move the \$330 "Salary – Beach" to a Town Warrant Article. Mr. Faulconer seconded the Motion, which passed unanimously with no discussion.

Volunteer

The Recreation Commission has received an application for a new volunteer. We will ask her to come to the November 4, 2019 meeting.

Ms. Kuzmitski made a Motion to adjourn the Meeting at 8:00 p.m. Ms. Connors seconded the Motion, which passed unanimously with no discussion.

THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE HELD ONNOVEMBER 4, 2019, at 7:00 p.m. in the REAR of the TOWN HALL.

Respectfully Submitted,

Patricia Masterson

Secretary, Recreation Commission

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