

Hardwick Recreation Committee

Meeting Minutes

September 10th, 2019, 6:30 PM

Hardwick Senior Center

Members present: Mallory Greaves, Rhonda Hess, Joe Brosseau, Susanne Gann, Holly Bolio

Guest: Ceilidh Kane

Recreation Coordinator: Susanne Gann

Joe called the meeting to order at 6:30pm

Approval of Minutes

The committee members looked over last months minutes with no error. Joe motioned to approve the August 13th minutes, Rhonda seconded the motion, all were in favor.

Approval of Budget

The monthly budget was discussed, Susanne reported that the \$46.30 taken from supplies and advertising were from the Star gazing barbeque. Holly motioned to approve the budget, Rhonda seconded the motion, all were in favor.

Guest

The committee happily welcomed Ceilidh Kane, Reach coordinator for Hardwick Elementary.

Senior Programming

Holly was contacted by Helen who is the president of the Hardwick senior group. She was informed that the seniors have an upcoming trip in October to the Hyde Park opera house to see Arsenic and Old Lace then going to dinner after at the Charlmont. The seniors have requested that the Recreation committee pay for this trip. The trip will cost around \$700 dollars with 17 participants. The seniors would be required to keep all receipts in order to get reimbursed for the trip. Susanne will be in contact with Casey Rowell to let her know the committee has agreed to finance this trip. Holly made a motion for the expenditure to the seniors for their trip to the Hyde Park Opera house and have dinner afterwards. Rhonda seconded the motion, all were in favor.

Reach

Joe let Ceilidh know everything that has been previously done by Nicole Miller, the former Reach coordinator. Swimming lessons along with outdoor activities are the main connection recreation has with the Reach program. Ceilidh reported that the swim lessons had been a

success and she would like to see them continue in the future. Susanne suggested more information on how the parents felt about the lessons being at the swimming hole, suggesting a survey be created for answers.

Apart from swimming lessons Ceilidh presented the committee with ideas she would like to bring to the Reach program and have recreation support the programs. Ceilidh reported she would like to expand the sports programming for the children. Getting the children to be more active during all seasons doing activities such as ice skating, field hockey, and possibly gain access to the Craftsbury outdoor center. These activities would be an addition to the swim lessons in the summer.

Rhonda requested the sports programming be expanded to the younger children below third grade.

Ceilidh will put together all the ideas that she has, report to Erica Baker her supervisor, and present the committee with a budget next meeting.

Mackville

Susanne reported that the wetland permit is in the process and that assembly is on track for October. Joe will be putting the grills in before the beginning of October along with an ash bucket.

Skating Rink

Joe will be reaching out to Bethany about the skating rink. The new pavilion at Atkins Field will hold the rink this coming winter. Joe will be measuring the floor of the pavilion to assure the ice rink will fit.

Susanne suggested setting the skating rink up the weekend after Thanksgiving.

Other Projects

Holly suggested the committee help with candy for Halloween this year. The committee will buy candy and distribute it around the town to hand out Halloween night. Mallory motioned the expenditure of \$200 to be used for candy to be distributed on Halloween. Rhonda seconded the motion, all were in favor.

Mallory suggested buying a projector and screen for next summer now that the pavilion is ready for use. Ceilidh recommended getting in touch with Wonder Arts in Greensboro who have all the equipment needed for movie events. This will be discussed further in the next months meeting.

Susanne reported the holiday party will be December 7th 2019. Rhonda will take inventory on what there is left from last years craft.

With no further business, Joe adjourned the meeting at 7:40 PM

Respectfully submitted,
Mallory Greaves, Secretary

The next meeting of the Committee will be held October 8th, at 6:30 PM at the Senior Center