

**Hardwick Recreation Committee**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
October 10th, 2024, 6:00 PM  
Hardwick Senior Center

Members present: Jason Bahner, Mallory Greaves, Emily Varvir, and Lanna Lawson

Members Absent: Sara Behrsing

Recreation Coordinator: Jason Bahner

Mallory called the meeting to order at 6:02 pm

**Approval of Budget**

Discussion took place for next year's swim lessons, since the invoice was higher than anticipated for 2023. The vote to approve the \$5,140.89 invoice for The Aquatic Connection was overruled and approved by David Upson since the committee could not meet to vote on time. The committee discussed and approved the invoice during the October meeting. Mallory made the motion to pay the invoice of \$5,140.89 to The Aquatic Connection, Lanna seconded the motion, all were in favor.

With no further issues on the budget, Emily motioned to approve the October budget, Lanna seconded the motion. All were in favor.

**Approval of Minutes**

Mallory motioned to approve the August minutes, Lanna seconded the motion. All were in favor. Let it be noted that the committee was unable to meet in September due to scheduling issues with members.

**Trunk or Treat**

The committee does not run this event but will be donating candy. Trunk or Treat will take place at Atkins field on Sunday October 27th at 4pm. Since this is not a committee event, all questions should be directed towards Josh Peets. Jason and Mallory plan to attend this event and have trunks set up in support. Mallory motioned for the expenditure of \$300 towards halloween candy for the event, Emily seconded the motion, all were in favor.

**Recruitment**

The committee discussed ideas on how to gain more committee members. Multiple attempts have been made on Front Porch Forum and on Facebook to no avail. The committee discussed what continuing as a committee will look like in the future without volunteers. David

Upton will be invited to November's meeting to brainstorm ideas on next steps with the committee numbers dwindling.

### **New Business**

Mallory updated the committee on what the LVRT committee has been doing. The idea that the LVRT committee will disband and become part of the recreation committee in the future concerned the committee. With the numbers of the committee being low, and much work left to be completed for the LVRT trail heads, the committee is concerned that the work won't be completed due to lack of volunteers and free time of the members. Mallory reported this concern to the LVRT committee during the September meeting, more to follow in coming months.

Jan Mueller will be hosting a Springfest planning session on October 22nd at 5pm. Jason and Mallory have been invited to represent the recreation committee, both members will be attending and reporting back to the committee as a whole. The committee plans to present the 5K Family Fun Run as the contribution, this is an annual event and growing constantly.

Jason reported that we will need to add the ice rink to the November agenda, there needs to be a plan in place prior to snow fall. Jason plans to communicate with the town for help getting the rink set up.

With no further business Mallory adjourned the meeting at 6:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mallory Greaves, Chair

The next meeting of the Committee will be held November 14th, 2024 at 6:00 PM in the Senior Center