

## Approved Waterbury Recreation Committee Meeting Minutes for 10/12/16

Members present: Eric Weeber, Herschell Murry, Bill Minter, Diane Gildea, Tami Bass, Barb Blauvelt, Don Schneider, Deb Fowler, Phoebe Pelkey, Frank Spaulding

Absent: Paul Lawson

Guest Introductions: -5 min.

1. Note taker: Eric            Time keeper: Frank  
Summarizer (Clarifies discussions/decisions): Herschell -5 min.
2. Adopt Meeting Agenda: -5 min.
  - A. Motion to Adopt: Herschell
  - B. 2ND: Bill
  - C. Discussion:                    D. Vote: Passes
3. Adopt Meeting Minutes from September 14<sup>TH</sup>, 2016: -5 min.
  - A. Motion to Adopt: Herschell
  - B. 2ND: Frank
  - C. Discussion:                    D. Vote: Passes
4. Winterfest update- Bill: 5 min.

WF meeting took place at the Hayloft on Wednesday, September 5<sup>TH</sup>. WF dates for 2017: 1/27 - 2/5/17. Next WF meeting on October 27<sup>TH</sup> at the Hayloft, 7:00 PM. WF Silent Auction on 12/8 at Bridgeside Books. New event sponsored by Boy Scouts. Volunteer, Richard Hayes will develop a capacity plan for WF.
5. Recreation Director Report- Deb Fowler: -30 min.
  - The Pool Director, Heather Cutler, reported an increase in numbers at the pool this summer. Heather and the Recreation Director, Deb Fowler, will be Lifeguard Trainers after the February school break and will start running lifeguard classes right way.
  - We will be offering a WSI course this winter to be held at First in Fitness in Montpelier in order to increase the number of potential qualified swim instructors we have and hope to attract new ones. We will also start offering the Waterbury residents swim lessons and the chance to purchase a swim punch card starting in January for First in Fitness.
  - The Recreation Department has received permission to start running programs out of the library space which will increase the opportunities of programs Recreation can offer as well as more exposure of the library. The first program we will be offering is the Young Rembrandts Art Program. This will be a once a week program from March 8th to April 26th. They will also be doing a free sample course during our Feb. Vacation Camp School for everyone in the program. Last they will be hosting a summer mini -camp as well. I am looking into a couple of Adult programs to offer as well.
  - Community Garden clean up day will be Sunday Nov. 13th at 10am. The Community Garden group has shown interest in developing a committee that could plan to look at things like bulk starter plant purchases, ground nutrients and enhancing the overall productivity of the community gardens.

- The playground at Anderson Field has been deemed unsafe per the Vermont League of Cities and Towns and thus we have started the process of looking into the cost and needs for replacement of the structures. We are also investigating the cost of having the floors properly finished in the Anderson Recreation building. This building will need to continue to house many recreation programs for the foreseeable future. The floors cannot be properly cleaned and the surface continues to chip and we are unsure if any of the paint that is currently on the floor is lead based and just continuing to paint the existing surface is recreating the same problems. To truly fix the problem all paint needs to be removed from the floor and a proper seal needs to be applied. We are waiting on a second quote for this process.
- We have started the process of looking into all of our facilities user fees. This is not going to be an easy process as we as a Town are very behind in what we charge for all of our fees. We are currently gathering data on costs, size of leagues, use and damage from use, etc.

6. Governance Document- Diane: -30 min. (See Governance Doc)

- Discussion and finalization of draft for Select Board

7. Election of Recreation Committee Officers: -15 min.

- Tabled until next meeting

8. Upcoming Dates of interest: -5 min.

- Adult Co-ed Volleyball on Mondays 6:30-8:30 at CBMS, October to May. \$15 per season.
- October 27<sup>TH</sup>: Winterfest meeting at the Hayloft on Guptil Road at 7PM
- October 29<sup>TH</sup> : Kids Night Out 7:00PM- 12:00AM
- See Recreation opportunities at: <https://www.waterburyvt.com/departments/recreation/> for full calendar of events.

9. Pending items: -5 min.

- Is Winterfest a sub-committee of the Recreation Committee? Governance document shall answer this question.

10. New business and agenda items for next meeting on 11/9/16: -5 min

- Distribution of Updated Project list- Frank
- Dac Rowe pavilion info- Frank
- November 13<sup>TH</sup> Gardening Committee- Deb

Meeting officially adjourned at: 8:06