

MINUTES OF THE LEE RECREATION COMMISSION
WEDNESDAY, September 7, 2022, at 7:00PM
TOWN OFFICES
249 CAELF HIGHWAY
LEE NH 03861

MEMBERS PRESENT: Tom Dronsfield; Chris Regan and Caren Rossi

OTHERS: None

MINUTES

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Chris Regan made a motion to approve as presented.

Tom Dronsfield second.

Vote: all, minutes approved

OLD BUSINESS

Pickleball & Playground structure

Caren Rossi explained she has gotten a price for paint for the existing pickleball court to repaint the entire thing and make 4 courts for \$1,690.95 and the DPW has offered to do that as well as the playground structure.

Credit Cards

Caren Rossi explained that the Town Administrator has researched, and we are able to take credit cards for activities for no charge online sign ups, if we want to get a handheld machine, they are \$500 a year for the device. We still need to get approval from the Select Board to have events that we charge for and finalize the events etc.

Chris Regan made a motion to authorize Caren Rossi and or Tom Dronsfield to represent the recreation commission to all interested parties, boards, committees and or commissions to get the credit card system "in place" to start holding classes/event, after Select Board approval, on all town properties and also authorize Caren Rossi and or Tom Dronsfield to present the activities etc. to the Select Board for their approval.

Tom Dronsfield seconded the motion.

Vote: all, motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Granite Arch

Caren Rossi explained she was contacted by Steve Green who owns a monument company here in town and he would like to donate a beautiful granite arch in Rick Stevens memory and have it engraved and installed at Little River Park. She showed pictures of it. She would suggest that the DPW choose its location as they are the ones who need to maintain around it. It has been suggested that it go near the bridge as he built it and installed it as a donation to the town.

Others agreed

Tom Dronsfield made a motion to support the donation of the granite arch and the location to be determined by the DPW and Randy Stevens and the other Stevens Family members.

Chris Regan second the motion.

Vote: all, motion carried

Fireworks

Caren Rossi explained that we had recently approved the remaining balance of the budget to go towards the fireworks, up to \$2,500 but the remaining balance is actually \$3,500+. Do we want to increase our portion by \$1,000.

Tom Dronsfield made a motion to increase to \$3,500

Chris Regan seconded the motion.

Vote: all, motion carried

Playground Sand

Caren Rossi said she was approached by a few people that we need to add more sand to the sand area of the playground. She spoke with DPW Director, Bullek and he said it would cost up to \$500.

Tom Dronsfield made a motion to spend up to \$500 on sand for the playground.

Caren Rossi seconded the motion.

Vote: all, motion carried

Lee Fair

Caren Rossi explained that the fair is rapidly approaching and we have other committee and commissions doing a booth. She and Tom Dronsfield are there at other capacities.

Chris Regan stated that she will be there for the trails committee and if better planning, she could possibly do both booths.

It was determined that we will plan better for next year and possibly ask people what they want to see at the park, possibly a suggestion box.

Movie Night

Caren Rossi said she reached out to library as they recently had a movie night and have had past movie events. They said the best they ever had was 17 and it was a late afternoon show. The evening shows are poorly attended.

Tom Dronsfield suggested we scratch that idea and do a Winter Carnival Event.

Other Board members thought this was a fantastic idea and will begin working on this idea.

Farmers Market

Caren Rossi stated that she was wondering if the recreation commission should offer to host the Farmers Market in the future at Little River Park because no one else seems to be interested in doing such.

Others agreed and Caren Rossi will reach to see about getting this started.

2024 Budget

Caren Rossi stated that the budget process is beginning shortly and asked what others felt we should do.

All felt we should keep it the same as this current year and Caren Rossi will present it and Tom Dronsfield will attend if he can.

Tom Dronsfield made a motion to keep the budget the same as it is currently.

Chris Regan seconded.

Vote: all, motion carried

Next Meeting

Next meeting is Wednesday, October 5, 2022, at the Town Offices

MINUTES BY:

Caren Rossi

