

Recreation Committee Minutes

October 8, 2011

Attendees: Karen Rajsteter, Ken King, Randy Berenson, Cindy Berenson, Grete D'Hondt, Laraine King, Barbara Keating, Don Keating, Heather Long.

Letters of Commendations for the summer staff - Letters have not yet been sent.

Plastic Container to be placed at Mailboxes for flyers – The Commissioners have approved of this. It was suggested that we talk to Don Drew about purchasing and installing a container.

Key entry system for Pool- The Commissioners have suggested that a Security Committee be organized and this be included on their agenda. The Recreation Committee would like to be updated on the progress of the key entry system.

Placeholders on MLD Calendar 2011- The Recreation Committee held a conversation about each of the following events and if we should proceed or cancel them.

- Halloween Party October 22- Will be cancelled.
- Wine Tasting Nov. 12- Will be cancelled.
- Wine Tasting Dec. 10- Wine tasting will be cancelled, but a holiday brunch will be held instead, including a cookie swap and Yankee swap.

Recreation Committee Funds

- \$1500 was taken from the Recreation Committee in order to help cover the cost of the work at the beach.
- Wish list of supplies for the future: Picnic Tables, umbrellas, Hot trays for pot lucks, coffee pot, basketball, volleyball, floating lights for pool, shed w/lock for beach, Lifeguard supplies of 4 radios, masks, whistles, goggles, bubble for pool, tool to make ice skating rink smoother.
- Fundraising- The possibility of fundraising was discussed. It was suggested that fundraising funds could be to fix up the Lodge. Laraine will obtain pricing of various items with our logo such as beach towels, other apparel, etc. All funds raised would go into the Revolving Fund of the Recreation Department for special projects.

Tennis Courts

- Don Drew to check on courts. Is there need of repair?
- Backboard- What is the current progress on this?
- Locks – current chain and lock system is not working properly. We need new chains and better securing roller for the gates.
- A new squeegee (roller) is needed.

Events for Calendar/Events pages- Will be discussed at the next meeting

2012 Recreation Committee Schedule

- It was suggested that meetings be held on alternating weekdays and weekends during the winter months.
- Proposed schedule will be discussed at the next meeting

Volunteer Challenge

- The chairs challenged all members to find and bring at least one volunteer to future events.
- It was suggested that a volunteer dinner be held in the future. The Recreation Committee would open up this meeting to all residents and would supply the attendees with dinner. The goal would be to recruit future volunteers and members, as well as to receive feedback from the community.

Signs- The commissioners need to approve the wordage for all of the beach signs before the signs can be made. In addition, we need signs stating “No Lifeguard on Duty – Swim at Your Own Risk” for all beaches.

Lodge Attendant- The job opening needs to be posted. Marsha needs to be contacted for an advertisement to be placed in the local paper.

Snack Bar Clean Up- Thanks to Laraine and Ken King for cleaning the snack bar.

Future Recreation Program Suggestions- A conversation was held regarding what has worked and what has not worked in the past for recreation programs.

- It was suggested that the future Recreation Director take on more responsibility. This position and job description is to be reviewed for next season so that there would be less need for members of the Recreation Committee to oversee the program. We would like to see better use of the lifeguards. For example, they can organize activities for the kids when on a break from the sun.
- The Recreation Committee would like to institute similar job requirements and responsibilities as required by the Town of Haverhill Recreation Department for the Woodsville Pool.

Future events

- Holiday party- A Holiday Party/Brunch will be held on December 10. There will be a cookie swap and a Yankee swap, along with a pot luck brunch.
- February 2012 Winterfest- This will be held on February 18, 2012

Next meeting: Saturday November 5, 2011 @9:00am Community Center/District Office

Respectfully Submitted,
Heather Long, Secretary