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Regular Meeting Minutes Wednesday, May 22, 2019; 7:00 PM Merrill Seney room, Town Hall

- 1. The call to order was by Chairman Steve Bordua at 7:10 PM
- 2. Attendance: Cynthia Antos, Robert Monahan, Robbie L'Heureux, Kimberly Prescott, Steve Bordua

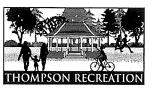
Absent: Donna Godzik, Thomas Jourdan, Diane Keefe

Staff: Leslie Munshower, Recreation Director; Miranda Skaradowski

Dotti Durst, Recording Secretary

- 3. Motion C. Antos seconded by R. Monahan to approve the minutes of April 24, 2019 carried unanimously.
- 4. Financial Reports: all were reviewed. S. Bordua will ask First Selectman K. Beausoleil about appropriate procedures for allocating remaining balances in some line items. Note: some line items cover activities which take place over the span of 2 fiscal years.
 - A. General Fund Budget Report: a modification will be requested as some advertising was posted against an incorrect line item. Some line items are being utilized to prepare for those same events in the next fiscal year.
 - B. Miscellaneous Revolving Account Report: Line item CAM8 remains in place for some time longer, as some costs only are debited out in November. A possible goal is to purchase a portable movie screen, as currently the town rents one several times a year (it appears the cost would be covered after one year of use). If the town owned it, other occasions could allow photos to be projected or information, such as at Community Day or the Turkey Trot. Several other ideas for improved Recreation service to the town were discussed.
 - C. Fund Balance: S. Bordua- this is easier to understand if you could go back 7 or 8 years. Funds come in and at some point, they may in part be re-allocated to the Town General Fund. This printed page, which begins with fiscal year 2017, shows donations and a surplus subsequent to that year. The Donations total, just over \$33,000, could be used for certain types of improvements.
- 5. The Interim Director's report, submitted in writing, was reviewed both by M. Skaradowski and L. Munshower. The Summer Brochure is complete, all business ads have come though; target date is June 7, the week before school ends. Options for Senior Lunches were reviewed; the next one is planned for August. The 8th Grade clean-up event went very well; funded in part by The Last Green Valley which covers trash bags and the other expenses, students were engaged and enthusiastic.
- 6. Branding Implementation Plan, Session 2 on Wednesday, June 5 @ 6PM: Attendance by Recreation Commission Members; all members are encouraged to call in an RSVP; S. Bordua and L. Munshower will attend.

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7. Old Business:

A. Camp Bussing: After asking follow –up questions as a result of last month's bus bid openings, DATTCO has confirmed some details. Two busses will be provided each day, covering field trips. The details are yet to be finalized about pay for the driver during the time while camp participants are inside the field trip location. The bid did come in within the anticipated amount.

8. New Business:

A. Field Day: Jonathan Fontaine, school gym teacher, has asked RECREATION to participate in Field Day; the consensus was that this is appropriate. Bottled water will be provided; information about Summer Camp will be distributed. It was noted that plastic water bottles from a previous event are in storage and that Field Day might be an advantageous opportunity to distribute them. The Supplies line item will be used to purchase the water and small plastic cups.

- B. L. Munshower will appear on WINY to promote both Recreation and the wide variety of program offered as well as to promote Summer Camp.
- C. Financial assistance is available to children whose family situation means they would have to skip Summer Camp. S. Bordua and L. Munshower will work with TEEG, which offers financial assistance for the Camp; they may have additional families their budget cannot include. Other sources of referrals can also be sought.
- D. S. Bordua suggests the concert series in the summer include music specifically for children. Commission members agreed and some performers were cited
- E. M. Skaradowski will remain in the Town Hall during June in facilitate the programs already scheduled, and to work with Director L. Munshower to get the fall and winter activities organized.
- F. K. Prescott spoke for the Commission in thanking Miranda Skaradowski for her work as Interim Director and praised the effort she put into the position.
- 9. Other from the Commission/Staff: none
- 10. Correspondence: none
- 11. Citizens' Comments: none
- 12. Announcements:

Next Regular Meeting: Wednesday, June 19, 2019 @ 7 PM Town Hall

13. Chair S. Bordua adjourned the meeting at 8:42 PM.

Respectfully Submitted; Dorothy Durst, Recording Secretary Durst Durst

These minutes have not yet been approved by the Recreation Commission. Please refer to next month's meeting minutes for approval of and/or amendments to these minutes.

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