

**Town of Winchendon  
Recreation Commission  
Minutes of the August 12, 2021 Meeting**  
(As noted by Debra Bradley)

WINCHENDON TOWN CLERK  
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7:07 Meeting Called to order

Members Present: Laura Gaydos, Tiffany Newton, Emily Bradley, Abby Bradley, , Debra Bradley

Absent: Linda HofHaug

Non-members in attendance: Miranda Jennings (HEAL)

1. Minutes approved from July 15<sup>th</sup> and July 19<sup>th</sup>. Motioned by Laura, seconded by Emily, approved by all.
2. Next meeting moved to Wednesday, August 25<sup>th</sup> to accommodate members with Thursday conflicts.
3. Appointed Treasurer – Tiffany Newton. Motioned by Debra, seconded by Laura, approved by Emily and Abigail. Motion passes.
4. Motion to discuss Tour de Winchendon at the start of the meeting to accommodate Miranda from HEAL who couldn't stay for the whole meeting.

Tour De Winchendon

September 18 (Sept 25 rain date)10-12

BOS has approved permit request, permit has been received.

start & finish at WCP

Police will provide road assistance & police cruiser at each end of WCP road if not at any emergencies.

Ask Murdock farm to come down/at the park

partnership with heal & WCP

Map of locations, stamp at each location

budget from registration fee

pre registration, pay by check to town of Winchendon recreation

sponsors & local venders – to be built and discussed for 2022 event.

avoid glenallen on route

little Lizzy's as a bonus spot on extended bike trail.

Volunteers through route – ask NHS, boy/Girl Scouts might help

Table for checking near parking(maybe 2 people)

orange w/ black logo draw string backpack

5. Toy Town Scavenger Hunt
  - a. The event will be held on Aug 29<sup>th</sup> at 1pm
  - b. Accessible by foot but open to a few stops in old center
  - c. Team fee of \$15 for up to 5 people or \$4 per individual
  - d. End at Seppie's and everyone will receive ice cream. winners will get a sundae.
  - e. \$120 max for ice cream if not donated, will know closer to the event. Tiffany to donate sundae making supplies.
  - f. "letterbox" style location to stamp the participants "books"
  - g. Each Team or individual will be given the entire list of clues at the start.
  - h. The Library would like to participate.
  - i. Tiffany will look into getting someone to drive the Winchendon School Bus to make it accessible for those who do not have a car.
6. Fall Festival – Pie Baking
  - a. Linda Reached out to police and fire about being a judge for our Pie baking contest, confirmed.
  - b. Tiffany talked Town Manager about being a judge, confirmed.

- c. The committee will need to purchase the prizes for winners of the pie baking and pie eating contest.
  - i. Traditional "Blue" ribbon prizes, additional prize customized by WRC may be an option.

7. Winchendon Festival of Lights –

- a. The tree lighting aligns with the Park holiday event and the Festival of Trees at the Library.

Festival of trees 11-2

Holiday at the park 2-5 Tree lighting 5-7?

Will coordinate with the park for Santa (Uggachonis?)

We will light up the poles and tree by Winchendon Furniture.

The Clark will light up their area.

Asking businesses to design/decorate their own light pole/windows etc...

8. Fireworks

- a. Clark has accepted and agreed to host the fireworks at the end of the their summer solstice event 6/18/2022.
- b. Deb reached out to a few fireworks companies and the cost range that was given was \$25,000-\$50,000 for a 25 min show with a 3 min finale.
- c. Sub-committee has been agreed to be set up to run event.
- d. Request has been sent marketed out via FB Winchendon Residents.
- e. Possibly will have first meeting 8/25/2021 at 6:00, looking to finalize.

New Events –

Food Truck Festival in June of 2022. Maybe collaborate with Taste of Winchendon/Block

Party.

Store Window competition

Students from Winchendon

In school, paper design what they would like the holiday store window to look

like.

Winner gets to go to the store and build their design in the window.

Wreaths