

**Town of Winchendon  
Winchendon Recreation Commission  
November 22, 2022 Minutes-6:30pm  
Town Hall 4<sup>th</sup> floor conference room**

**Committee Members Present:** Dawn Higgins, Tiffany Newton (Recreation Coordinator)

**Committee Members On Phone:** Debra Bradley, Abbigail Bradley, & Camille Hart

**Absent Members:** Emily Croteau, Emily Bradley

**Non- Members:**

Meeting called to order at 6:42 p.m.

**Updates:**

*Art Nights*

- Wreath making- 2 people registered but still holding it
- String art- is a go for butterflies at \$25pp on February 28<sup>th</sup>
- Glass Art- \$20pp for 5x7 in January
- Looking for flower arranging in March

*Festival of lights*

- Decorations will be put on Monday.
- Boy Scouts will be selling baked goods
- Deb will follow up about carols
- Tiffany will ask Sheila about times for December 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Suggestion for next year is to do a giveaway of all the events throughout the year.
- Ask Girl Scouts about doing something.
- Make sure flyers go out through parent square- and specific to the tree lighting.

*Fireworks Pricing*

- The contract came in for \$15K but we asked for \$20k pending any unexpected cost.

**Old Business:**

*Valentines Dance/Ice Skating Event*

- No updates-table until next meeting. Everyone to bring their ideas for a Valentine's event

*Vote for food truck festival date change*

- Deb mad a motion to move the Food Truck Festival to the 4<sup>th</sup> Friday in June going forward starting on in 2023. Dawn 2<sup>nd</sup>

Abby(Y) Camille (Y) Dawn (Y) Deb (Y) Emily C ( ) Emily B ( )

*Free Community Park Event Ideas*

- July- Traditional 4<sup>th</sup> of July picnic feel
- Aug- Puppet/magic show, ice cream- splash day
- Sept- Back to School Blow out- nerf gun war-teen band

- Oct- haunted trails, trunk or treat, pet parade, spooky stories
- Food suggestions- boxed lunch, say cheese truck, kiwanis

## **New Business**

### *Festival and Projects Grant*

- Commission voted to apply for this grant to help fund the Festival of Lights
- Dawn made a motion and Deb 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Deb (Y) Dawn (Y) Camille (abstain) Abby (Y) Emily C () Emily B ()

### *Summer concert series dates*

- Deb motioned to hold the series starting July 7<sup>th</sup> and ending July 28<sup>th</sup> with the possibility to extend into August based on funding. Dawn 2<sup>nd</sup>  
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- Should we offer a "feature night"

### *Paid Amphitheater event suggestions*

- Recycled Percussion
- Whiskey Johnson

### *Dates for the Easter Egg Hunt*

- Dawn made a motion to hold the Easter Egg Hunt on April 1<sup>st</sup> with a Rain date of April 2<sup>nd</sup>. Deb 2<sup>nd</sup>
- Deb (Y) Dawn (Y) Abby (Y) Camille (abstain)

## **Financials**

- There were no comments on the financial updates presented.

## **Minutes**

- Tabled until next meeting

## **Other**

- In January we should have a checklist for volunteers so they know what we are looking for.

## **Adjourned: 8:09 p.m.**

Dawn made a motion to adjourn and Deb 2<sup>nd</sup>

Debra (Y) Emily B () Abigail (Y) Dawn (Y) Camille (Y) Emily C ()

## **Approved:**

*Dawn Higgins*  
*Debra Bradley*  
*Abigail Bradley*