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**Town of Winchendon
Winchendon Recreation Commission
March 7, 2023 Minutes-6:30pm
Town Hall 4th floor Conference Room**

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Committee Members Present: Dawn Higgins, Tiffany Newton (Recreation Coordinator), Debra Bradley (chair), Abbigail Bradley, Emily Bradley, Andrew Beauvais

Absent Members: Emily Croteau

Non- Members:

Meeting called to order at 6:43 p.m.

Updates:

Art Nights

- String art recap- 9 attendees and positive feedback
 - Total in \$225, Total out \$225, no revenue or expense
- Flower Arranging- SOLD OUT

Reminders

- STM on Monday March 13th at 7pm at the High School, our bylaw change will be on the warrant
- Please be ready to re-submit letters of interest by March 16th if you wish to remain on the newly formed committee. Appointments will go to BOS on March 27th. Our next meeting will be held on March 28th at 6:30pm, please be prepared to be sworn in prior to that meeting on the 28th.

Old Business:

Non-Profit Update

- This was updated at the WCP meeting last night.
- 5 dates for the lottery and the dates are non-specific and can be any weekday/non-holiday or Sunday.
- The Commission has no issues with this update

Winchendon Music Festival

- There is no update on the date, the gentleman did get back to Tiffany and said he will have the date next week.

Wilderness Survival Survey

- Was put out on social media for pricing and #of classes with no input
- Suggested to try a bit longer maybe use survey monkey or slido.

Tour de Winchendon

- We should check with Brian about Central Street completion so we know for sure if we can use the bike lane
- We need to secure an Event Permit and pricing-maybe \$5
- Should we do prizes? Maybe a bike raffle? Or gift cards to a bike shop? See about getting it donated
- Mylec may sponsor the event
- We will start and end at WCP

- Lemonade stand at the big bike for everyone
- Dawn suggested bracelets that give them discounts at local participating businesses and/or a passport (which was done last year)
- Logistics still need to be worked out

Movie Night Pricing

- Per our last meeting Tiffany brought back proposed pricing for our upcoming summer movie nights
 - \$5 per indiv.; \$20 per family of 4 w/ popcorn for each person, \$4 per additional person; \$25 per season (all 6 movies)
- Surrounding movie theaters range from \$7-\$11 dollars per movie
- We can ask about sponsors for movie nights at \$300 each, each movie licensing fee is \$375
- The link to look and decide on which movies we want to play has been sent out. Please check it out and send in suggestions for movies before our next meeting.

New Business

Community Days

- Tiffany let the group know that we have about \$700 per community day
- We have secured a Teen DJ for our back to school bash
- Do we want to get foam cannons for either Back to School or August event (approx..\$500)
- Band Plead the 5th has reached out with interest in doing our October event at the park. We had them for summer concert series last year and they brought a good crowd. (cost is \$400)- commission agreed to hire

Kids Amphitheater Pricing

- Based on feedback of paid amphitheater pricing a suggestion was made to allow kids 5 and under in free.
 - We would have the tickets available online ahead of time to minimize being overrun with children if that would end up being an issue.
- Deb suggested we limit it 2 free kids per person/household
- Reasoning behind the age 5 was given to be that most kids 5 or under can sit in someone's lap.

Minutes

- Deb made a motion to accept the February 21st minutes as presented. Dawn 2nd Debra B (Y) Dawn (Y) Abigale (Y) Emily B (Y) Emily C () Andrew (Y)

Financials

- Monthly financial update was given
- A new sponsorship account was created for all sponsorships- 2 deposits are in the process of being moved over to that account
- You will notice a few names of accounts have change in order to keep better track of what each account is for

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- We have extra funds of \$539 and we need to find \$645 for a porta potty purchased by DPW for GAR Park. It is suggested to spend \$500 of extra funds on the Porta potty and take the additional \$145 out of our gift fund.
- Deb made a motion to approve the expenditure of \$500 from our regular budget, and \$145 out of our gift fund to pay for the purchase of the porta potty for GAR Park. Dawn 2nd

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- Deb noted that she would like to look at pricing for 2 more sandwich boards, a banner for central street and new shirts for the committee.

Other Business

- None at this time

Adjourned: 7:43p.m.

Deb made a motion to adjourn and Dawn 2nd

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Approved:

Debra Bradley

Emily Bradley

Dawn Higgins

Andrew B.