

Recreation Committee

April 12, 2023

4:00PM, Town Hall

Members in Attendance: Jeff Shapiro (JS), Juliana Kuszewski (JK), Kadion Phillips (KP), Annie Roscioli (AR)

Members Absent:

Others in Attendance:

OPENING OF MEETING KP made a motion to open meeting at 4:00 PM.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES 3-15-23. KP made a motion to accept the minutes, seconded by JS. Vote 3-0.

NEW BUSINESS

1. **Sturbridge Farmers Market 2023.** Recreation Director shared an update provided by C. Tomko, Market Manager; "The Market has 55 rotating vendors, including 14 new vendors. Each Market will have a maximum of 34 vendors. The Market will run June 4th- October 8th from 9am - 1pm. Music is still on a volunteer basis and artists play from 11-1pm. Haven will be offering an all level yoga class the first Sunday of each month before the start of the Market. A returning volunteer will coordinate music and Community table, this season there are five volunteers total." C. Tomko was not able to attend this meeting due to a date change with Recreation scheduling. As previously discussed during the transition of the Market, AR confirmed when the manager is not available she will provide staffing with the volunteers. Weekly staffing at the Markets remains coordinated by the Market Manager who attends weekly. AR also confirmed she would remain on call for Sundays throughout the season. For vendor selection and scheduling, AR gave approval to the Market Manager to follow prior year's procedures. The completed market schedule will be available for the Rec Committee in May. AR has connected the Manager with access to Canva and has offered to manage social media postings, signage with DPW or any additional support the Market may need.
2. **Update on 60 Cedar St ADA Project.** The Committee reviewed the conceptual site plan that includes parking, sidewalks, crosswalks, ADA improvements to the access for Town Beach, Playground, Pavilion, and Athletic Courts. AR shared that the meeting with CPC for a funding request went well, as CPC voiced their support for this project. CPC will not allocate any funding until the cost for any road improvements or sidewalks is separated from total cost of the project. AR will provide the cost estimate to both committees once received and will attend an additional meeting with CPC.

OLD BUSINESS

1. **Spring Bonfire April 29, 2023.** AR reviewed Committee staffing. No changes to vendor schedule at this time.
2. **NYC Spring Trip May 6, 2023.** Registration is open, limited seats available.
3. **Spring Free Fun Series, Saturdays in May.** Registration is open, no changes to schedule at this time.
4. **2023 Concert Series. No changes to schedule or vendors at this time.** Printed promotions will be scheduled once one remaining contract is received.
5. **Field Soil Investigation and Maintenance Plan Development Project.** Bid process has closed and Tom Irwin Advisors has received approval from Board of Selectmen for this project. Work will begin as soon as contracts are signed by both parties.

6. **Kids Block Party June 16, 2023.** No changes from March update, planning continues to develop smoothly.

PROPERTY USAGE REQUESTS

1. Special Events Committee, Town Common, Saturday July 15, 2023.
2. Council on Aging, Town Common, Thursday May 25, 2023.

JS made a motion to accept all April usage requests, seconded by KP. Vote 3-0.

ADJOURNMENT: KP made motion to adjourn meeting at 4:38 PM. Seconded by JS. Vote 3-0.

Tentative Next Meeting: May 17, 2023 at 4:00PM

Respectfully submitted,
Annie Roscioli
Recreation Director