

Milford Parks & Recreation Commission
Minutes
October 5, 2016

Attendees

Arene Berry Heather Romeri Cheri Federico Lena Labour Melissa Sherman
Mark Fougere Claudia Lemaire John Kohlmorgen

Appointments: None

Director's Report: Presented by Arene Berry.

Revolving fund balance as of 9/30/16 is 30,529.63.

Co-ed wooden bat tournament went well and concessions were donated by Carson Family and volunteers were by Carson family as well. Transfer form will be signed to transfer the funds to Kaley Softball Field Special Purpose Fund.

Keyes Park Expansion is waiting on survey results. Also, a sub-committee was formed to host an open house. And Keyes Park Expansion committee will be presenting to Board of Selectman in November.

Daddy Daughter Dance date was changed. Discussion was held regarding limiting to Milford residents for the first two weeks, then opening up to non-residents after that initial period to ensure Milford residents have time to reserve their tickets before the event sells out. Arene was in agreement and will put that into production this coming year.

Fall Family Festival & Zombie Orienteering went great. Great turnout. Milford Mustangs sold concessions and made approximately \$400.00. 19 teams for orienteering.

Co-ed wooden bat tournament changed from 2 days to a 1 day tournament and it was successful. Did cash prizes instead of trophies.

Trick or Treat on the Oval will be opened up to businesses and they have had a positive response so far. Balloons will be used to identify those businesses. Opening up to other Non-profits as well to participate.

Various trips and events coming up were listed.
29 on waitlist so they may add another bus to the NYC trip.

Recreation is looking for more people to run programs through recreation. The question was asked about certification requirements and Arene said it was dependent on the program itself. John and Arene are working on the spring recreation guide and request info by 1/4/17.

Chili Chowder cook-off will be run by Milford Recreation Commission at the Winter Festival. Plan to also sell concessions like popcorn, hot chocolate and s'more kits.

Discussion about revolving fund work session. Some further information was sent by Arene to help with more information. Projected income, waived field fees were some of the information we received.

Discussion also was had regarding the amount of use the school uses of our fields vs what we use of their facilities. Arene suggests we discuss with DPW and school and MCAA if we have concerns regarding the use of all the facilities. Heather suggests we discuss with DPW more if we have more questions and concerns. Arene said there has been good discussions between the school and DPW lately.

Arene suggests Milford Recreation Commission working with Milford Recreation Department on events together.

John K suggests a Mother's Day brunch as a fundraising idea. Suggestions were Windows on West Street or Dad's cooking for Mom's. Also, Cheri mentioned that the Firemen might host their Waffle breakfast that Sunday.

John K also mentions a cardboard boat race in Keyes Pool. There would be a small entry fee. Heather asks if it could cover the pool pass fee to get in as well. Arene said yes.

Lena suggests between Thanksgiving and Christmas, a weekly street fair on Friday nights on the Oval. Concerns were raised about shutting down the Oval ever week. Also, it was mentioned that the crafts fairs are held the first Saturday of December as well. Lena is looking for a combination of a craft and social event. Lena has seen her event work in California. Suggestions that Lena should discuss with Wendy from Milford Improvement Team because of the large scale of the event.

Melissa suggests we should have display at events when/where we are selling something to show everyone what their funds are going to.

Further discussion was had and we will hold another work session on 10/26/16. Heather says that Arene doesn't have to attend if she doesn't want to. Heather will book the space.

We do not have the September minutes to approve. Cheri will get those ASAP.

New business: Nothing to discuss.

Cheri makes a motion to go into a Non-public session RSA 91-A3 regarding Personnel, Mark seconds. Unanimous vote.

After non-public session was over, Claudia makes a motion to adjourn the meeting, Melissa seconds. Unanimous vote was taken.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 PM.