

Newport Parks and Recreation
Minutes of the Monthly Meeting of the Recreation Committee
January 16, 2020 | 6:00 PM

Present at Meeting: Deb Smith, Jennifer Smith, Vaughn Cloney, Jaime Comtois, Mike Nolan, Amy Pickering, Lori Wells and Shari-Lee Ryan by phone

Absent: AJ Thurston

Guest: Jessica Booth and Laura Smith

The regular meeting was called to order at 6:05 by Jennifer Smith.

I. Review of Previous Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were reviewed and a motion was made by Jennifer Smith to accept minutes 1st by Amy Pickering, 2nd by Vaughn Cloney.

II. Public Comment

No public comment

III. Consideration of Open Issues

1. Fundraising update:
 - Last Month's Bottle Drive \$242.14, MyRec \$5.00 and \$113.00 from the donation bucket we put out during the ATV vote.
2. Program & Event Planning Discussion
 - **Adult Dance** - Decision to not move forward with this at this time.
 - **Winter Festival** - February 29th Festival will start at 4:00 fireworks at 7:00. Weather will determine the location of our concession stands/tents. We will also have a tent to sell Chuck A Puck's. Jaime will contact Wendy's for a donation of chili, Vaughn reached out to Casey Moulton she will donate two kinds of soup., Jennifer has offered to supply hot dogs, buns and steamer. Deb, Shari and Amy will donate baked goods. Rec department will supply water and hot cocoa.
 - **Mother/son Dance - May 8th, 9th and 10th.** We will do a Castle/Knight theme, Dave Bennett has graciously donated his time again for all three nights. We will start selling tickets April 6th.
 - **Golf tournament** - AJ reached out to NCC to confirm pricing on both the green fees and meal as quoted last year, in addition to asking for a list of available spring/early summer dates. He also reached out to Josh Olney for guidance related to typical sponsorship

costs etc.. AJ has also started working with a guy who put on a multi-course tournament last year. Once we have a date we can proceed with hole sponsorships, typically hole sponsors pay between \$100-\$250 with their logo on a sign. He is also trying to get Northpoint to offer a "hole-in-one" prize vehicle. Additional information will be available at our February meeting.

3. Fundraising Projects:

- **Buy-A-Brick** - Our goal is \$14,000, we have raised \$6,600 to date. After much deliberation a motion was made by Jenn Smith to sell different colored bricks for smaller businesses in our area. The cost of these bricks would be \$500 and would not be mixed in with the family bricks. Shari-Lee Ryan was 1st on this motion with Vaughn 2nd, a vote was cast and was passed with a unanimous yeh vote.
- **Bowling tournament** - To date we have several openings for both the 12:00 and 3:00 slots, hoping for additional teams to sign up the day of the tournament.
- **Football Squares** - Football square forms were handed out at the meeting.
- **Crop Event** - 4 people have registered plus 1 vendor, will send out additional emails in hopes of getting additional people to register.
- **Ice Out contest** - Mac made an ice cube box with three ice cubes on top (Ice cubed), ice out tickets were passed out at the meeting. Nice job Mac!
- **Ice Shack Raffle** - Wow! Great job Vaughn! Tickets are selling quickly, we have approximately 50 tickets left. If we sell all of the tickets before February 29th we will have the drawing earlier.

4. Community Involvement:

- **ATV Ordinance** - ATV ordinance passed! Laura Dolgin looking for two rec. committee members to join the downtown organization (NVDA)

5. Upcoming Volunteer Opportunities:

- Bowling tournament
- Winter Festival
- Selling tickets for the Ice Shack at fishing tournaments (if need be)

6. Other business:

- Lori Wells will be taking over for Marin, welcome Lori and thank you for joining the rec. Committee
- Coin drop letters have been mailed out, one for Derby and one for Newport.

7. Meeting was adjourned at 7:34, next meeting February 20th @ 6:00.