**Newport Recreation Committee Meeting – 11/7/2022**

**Present at Meeting:** Jaime Comtois, Matt Kiley, Jennifer Smith, Debbie Smith, and Kelli Rhodes.

**Absent from Meeting:** Sean Pilkner, Nick Whitehouse, and Sherrie

**Members of the Community:** Mike Brown and Ira Morgan

**Meeting called to order at:** 5:38

**Review of Previous Minutes:** Matt and Deb, approved minutes.

**Public Comment:**  None

**Monthly Fundraising Update:**

Thompsons Redemption: $66.36

$531.54 in coins from the coin drop

Money goes into the Rec bank Account, which is separate and allocated for Rec Committee events.

**Program & Event Planning Discussion:**

**Pumpkin Paloozza-** Overall good event

* Maybe more candy and use window of the lighthouse
* 10 gallons of cider for next time
* Easier to buy pumpkins then to grow

**Other Fundraising Ideas:**

Nick- has not got back to Jamie, so we will shelf the concert for now

Matt- got pricing information from someone in the community and said $10, per Red Sox tickets.

Facebook live and someone separate from committee to pull the ticket.

Starting to sell in March.

**Upcoming Events/ Fundraising:**

Father/ daughter dance & Mother/ son dance

* For March – recreation committee approves of this change.

**Updates from Parks & Recreation Office:**

**Turkey Fest 11-3 Saturday the 19th:**

Vendors, games, Turkey call contest, Pumpkin pie eating contest. No volunteers needed but can stop by to help if wanted.

**City Council Meeting/ Update on Playground Restoration:**

* Discussion about selling the land but nervous about that type of deal.
* They will come up with a way to fund the 300,000 for the loan to pay the cost.

**Other Business:**

* Tree lighting December 3 4-5pm, Santa, and hot cocoa. No popcorn.
* Pomerlou party delivery again this year

**Next meeting:** 12/15/2022

**Adjourned at:** 6:35