

Newport Recreation Committee Meeting- 02/16/2023

Present at Meeting: Kelli Rhodes, Jamie Comtois, Matt Kiley, Jennifer Smith, and Sean Pilkner.

Absent from Meeting: Nick Whitehouse, Debbie Smith, and Sheri- Lee Ryan

Members of the Community: Mike Brown

Meeting called to order at: 5:43pm

Review of Previous Minutes: Jennifer and Kelli– approved minutes

Public Comment: None

Fundraising Update:

\$40.00 total donations

Crop: one person has signed up \$25.00

Multiple sign-ups for Dances

Program & Event Planning Discussion:

Other Fundraising Ideas

Red Sox/ Yankee Raffle:

- Committee voted yes.
- Matt will contact for tickets. Four tickets are for June 11, 2023.
- He will have a price for February and then can purchase right away (\$220-250 per piece).
- We will draw winning ticket at our May 11, 2023 committee meeting.
- We will reach out to local businesses to assist with selling tickets (Elks, Wrights, Miller's Pub, Cigar Shop, and Troy General Store).

Coin Drop:

- Approved for October 7, 2023

Upcoming Events/ Fundraising

Ice Out:

- Currently being sold.
- Matt is willing to sell at Town Meeting day.

St. Patrick's Day Dances:

- Decorations are ordered.
- Saturdays selling out, Fridays are still mostly open.
- Matt, Jamie, and Jennifer will cover March 10th and 11th.
- Kelli will cover the 17th.

- Jamie and Kelli will cover the 18th.
- Jamie, Jenn, and Sean will meet on 3/6 at 10:00 for set up.

Updates from Parks & Recreation Office:

Gardner Park Restoration Update-

- People need to come and vote, committee will try to share that information online and through word of mouth.
- If the funding is approved then the next step will be new artist renditions and a new groundwork process (due to the time that has passed).

Winter Fest –

- Is February 25, 2023.
- Chuck a puck will happen at 4:30pm.
- Matt and Jennifer will assist in selling tickets.

Other Business:

Member Recruitment:

- Approval happens mid-March with the city council.
- Debbie has resigned and we accept her resignation.
- Sherrie is thinking about resigning as well.
- Mike will put add out for new recruitment.

Next meeting: March 23, 2023, one week later due to the wanting to meet after the Dances.

Adjourned at: 6:52pm