Newport Recreation Committee Meeting – 1/19/2023

Present at Meeting: Jaime Comtois, Matt Kiley, Jennifer Smith, Nick Whitehouse, and Kelli Rhodes.

Absent from Meeting: Sean Pilkner, Debbie Smith, and Sheri- Lee Ryan

Members of the Community: Mike Brown and Ira Morgan

Meeting called to order at: 5:38pm

Review of Previous Minutes: Jennifer stated to correct Sheri's name. Kelli and Nick approved minutes.

Public Comment: None

Fundraising Update:

Bottle Drive: \$55.10 December

Bottle Drive: \$66.36 November

Public Donations \$10.00

Program & Event Planning Discussion: None

Other Fundraising Ideas:

The Red Sox and Yankee ticket sales will start in March.

The concert tickets are officially not an option for fundraising.

Upcoming Events/ Fundraising:

Ice Out: currently no ice, vintage postcard design, sales usually start the beginning of February. Tickets are ordered, end date is March 31st.

February 25th winterfest- Same setup as last year. Committee will do Chuck A Puck fundraiser.

Mother/Son Dance: March 10/11, dj and photographer (included in the price) are booked. St. Patrick's Day theme! Committee member will look at Fun Express online for suggestions of decorations/ crafts to order. Members available for setup will meet on March 6.

Father/ Daughter Dance: March 17/18, with the same setup.

Crop: Crafting day, people brought crafting supplies and had a potluck. \$25 per table. Schedule for April 1 9-3 @ the Gateway.

Updates from Parks & Recreation Office:

- Playground update: Adjustments to the correction plan are in process and will be submitted again for final approval.
- Skate rink received a grant and construction will start this spring.
- All the dugouts were replaced this summer.

Other Business: None

Next meeting: 16th of February

Adjourned at: 7:00pm