

Approved
Jan 10, 2024

Recreation Committee

MINUTES ~ December 13, 2023

Present: Heidi Richards, Kathy Hogue, Ginifir Giddinge,

Excused: Courtney Hardwick Absent: Ruth Hannan, Coren Wheeler

1. Meeting was called to order, 7:00pm.
2. Minutes of November 8, 2023, were approved as written.
3. We received an email from Courtney Hardwick that due to her very busy schedule, she, regrettably, has resigned from the Recreation Committee. We thank her for all her help!
4. Financial Report
 - a. To date, we have \$690.47 in the Recreation Committee account. We will reserve the Pumpkin Bounce House and purchase another pop-up tent with remaining funds in this account.
 - b. We have \$2,982 in our General Ledger Account. We will need to figure our costs for 2024 event expenses before going before the Budget Committee on February 26 to determine whether we will request funds at Town Meeting.
 - c. We discussed purchasing a pull-down screen for future events – to spend no more than \$400. Heidi will continue to research our options. Could ARPA funds contribute to that?
5. Heidi will follow-up with IMPACT next month to discuss collaboration of a Garden Tour event this spring.
6. We discussed the video equipment in the DeWitt Room and how this can impact future events. We are aware that the Select Board and Town Administration are working on solutions.
7. The piano in the Stage Room is old and cannot be repaired or tuned. Kathy checked in with the Grange to see if they are the owners and if they had any suggestions on what to do with it. Doris Blackstone said the Grange had no further use of it and we can go ahead and get rid of it. Kathy reported speaking with Dory Holmes in Freeport who has a much smaller piano she would like to donate to us. (207-400-7638). She would need help moving it (she lives alone) and has offered to have it tuned once it is in place at Mallett Hall. We will bring this matter up at the next Select Board meeting.
8. Real Estate Request / Map 2 Lots 30 and 31-32 to build a mobile home park on Poland Range Road. It was discussed and agreed that we will respond to the Select Board that the Recreation Committee does not support selling any town-owned land.

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, January 10, 2023 – 7:00pm

Respectfully submitted,
Kathy Hogue