

Recreation Committee Meeting 9.14.23 5:30pm

Attendees: Rebecca Navelski, Kat Johnson, Jessica Morgan, Martin Callahan. Remote attendees - Jack O'Reilly and Bill Wright.

Rebecca makes a motion to approve the minutes from the previous meeting. Jessica Seconds. All approve.

Budget - general supplies and activities - Esmerelda purchased items for Trunk or Treat. Also a zip drive was purchased for recreation photos.

Summer program - Jessica will reach out to Zach for an end of summer recap and survey results. At Rebecca's suggestion, we can discuss what kind of mailers the Y sends to the seacoast and whether Newington will be included. The YMCA took the supplies for camp and took them all to Camp Gundalow for storage. They said they would label it and keep it safe for next year. Needs for next year.

Septemberfest - the weather forecast for Saturday night is poor due to Hurricane Leo, so we have to cancel (also under the advisement of the fire chief).

Vendors - we don't know of any official contracts. Question about how much to pay the vendors. Deposit vs. full payment if we do not reschedule.

Bounce house - blast party rental

Vertical entertainment - bungee trampoline

Littlebrook farm - pony rides

Discussed rescheduling for the October 7th (Columbus day weekend) with a rain date of the 8th vs. Oct 21st with rain date of the 22nd. Due to the weather getting colder, Jessica makes a motion to reschedule for October 7th (rain date 8th), Rebecca seconds. All in favor.

Rebecca and Esmerelda are going confirm Fox Point availability

Martin is going to ask the vendors about the 7th.

This year call it "fall fest" - can decorate tiny pumpkins.

Update from Esmerelda: Trolley tour coming up 3 of them. Oct 14th and 15th.

Trunk or Treat October 30th.

ART Classes for adults (12+):

Painting classes October 12th Classes start 5:30pm

Pottery class Nov 9th

Wreath decor class Nov 16th

(\$80 for all 3 classes or \$30 per class)

Tennis tournament Thursday 9am to 2pm. Facebook correction from 9am to 2pm.

Holiday basket planning - Esmerelda will discuss with Chief Bilodeau

Thriller dance instructor for the Portsmouth Halloween parade wants to rent a hall and offer classes to her students and invite our residents. Rebecca, Kat, and I feel like this would not be acceptable to the town, but she can do programs for Newington Residents alone.

Next meeting: September 28th 5:30pm in the library. (Future plan is to switch back to Tuesdays after Late Septemberfest)