Minutes of the Special Meeting held on Wednesday, October 3, 2018, 7:00 PM

Members of Voluntown Recreation Commission:

Michael Kalwara, Interim Chairman
Michael Magario
Marc Pelletier
Tammy VanLanen, Treasurer

Melinda Bryan, Secretary
Belinda Wiese
Pete Cassidy

Absent:
Guests: None

Ascertain a Quorum

There are 8 out of 9 present – served as a quorum.

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:02pm.

Previous Minutes

Mike K. Made a motion to approve the September minutes and Courtney seconded.

Melinda made a motion to go to new business and Tammy seconded.

Old Business

Gaga Ball Pit

Josh Zelinsky wanted to know if we had a preference in color for the brackets and we decided that Josh should pick the color. The gaga pit will be ready to be set up on November 11.

Pavilion Use form (draft)

Melinda spoke with Jerry Lokken from Groton Parks and Recreation regarding their pavilion. He said that they require insurance from any groups that want to use it. If it is an event for a birthday party they recommend the family to try to use their homeowners insurance or if they have a caterer they could use their insurance. If there is no individual insurance, they discuss as a group and decide whether or not to omit insurance. I spoke with Tracey and she agreed. I checked with Tracey to see if a pavilion use request needs to be filled out and if insurance is required.

New Business

Gingerbread House Activity

Mike K made a motion to appropriate $500 for various activities, $100 decorations, $100 gift cards for a total of $700 for the Gingerbread House Contest. Tammy V seconded.
Ice Skating Rink

We will be setting up the panels for the ice-skating rink before Thanksgiving and we will inspect it for mold.

Correspondence

The commission was invited to the Groundbreaking Shovel Ceremony on September 10, 2018 at 3:30 pm.

Treasurer's Report

The treasurer will have the report next month.

Other Business

Review of Minutes

The minutes were reviewed by the commission.

General Discussion

Pete said that there are 2 lights out at the basketball court. Mike K. will take care of it and Mike K. installed two basketball nets. Also, he will check on the ice-skating rink light as well.

Wheeler is in the middle of redoing the school gym and would like to merge with our recreation commission for Saturday morning basketball. The grade levels are 5 – 8. The commission agrees to allow the students to merge if the VES allows the use of the gym for the out of town students. Mike K. will check with the school.

Breanna Poirer emailed me regarding holding a Zumba class at the school. The school is not available on the weekends and during the week it is busy as well. Recreation commission will help out but she will have to find a place to hold it. Also she has to have insurance.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:12 pm. Tammy made the motion and Melinda seconded.

Respectfully submitted by Melinda Bryan