Minutes of Meeting held on Wednesday, October 6, 2021 at 7:00 PM

Members of the Voluntown Recreation Commission:

Michael Kalwara
Belinda Wiese
Mark Simmons, Chairman
Jamie Anderson
Dean Wittwer

Kristin Pellinen

Absent: Courtney Magario, Mike Magario, Melinda Bryan
Guests: None

Ascertain a Quorum

There were 6 of 9 present – served as a quorum.

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:06 pm.

Previous Minutes

Dean made a motion to approve the September minutes and Belinda seconded.

Old Business

Volleyball Update – No update. Mark will contact Sandbox to schedule a walkthrough.

October Movie – The committee decided not to do an October movie due to lack of interest.

The results of the poll Courtney posted on Facebook are as follows. 2 for No, 26 for Yes, 11 for Depends what Day.

Pavilion near town playground – Adam Burrows contacted Mark informing him that the school conducted a walkthrough with a contractor to construct a pavilion on school property. When Adam receives the quote and he will forward it to the Recreation Commission. If the quote is reasonable the commission may consider using the same contractor to save money.

New Business

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**Resurfacing walking track** – A community member emailed the Recreation Commission inquiring about the condition of the current walking track and the possibility of paving it. The commission discussed potential option and decided it would not be feasible to pave the track but agreed repairs are needed. Belinda stated she would contact the contractor who last did work on the track.

**Winter Basketball** – Mike K. inquired if winter basketball is possible this year and what are the VES COVID-19 guidelines. Mike K. also stated that he is considering not volunteering for basketball this year. The commission discussed other options such putting a call out for other volunteers and the feasibility of paying someone.

**Trunk or Treat** – As of now Trunk or Treat is ready to go. Belinda stated some community members inquired why kids cannot exit their vehicles. Mark stated that Melinda had spoken with Pachaug State Forest Superintendent Mark Darian, and it was decided it would not be safe for participants to walk around due to lack of parking and lighting. The risk of EEE is being monitored.

Jamie Anderson inquired about the possibility of installing framed park signs at the pavilion and near the playground. He stated he may be able to get one donated.

**Correspondence**

There was no correspondence.

**Treasurer’s Report**

We spent $1,210.73 from our budget.
There is $11,789.27 remaining.

**Review of Minutes**

The commission reviewed the minutes.

**General Discussion**

There was no general discussion.

**Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 7:36pm. Belinda made the motion and Kristin seconded.

*Respectfully submitted by Mark Simmons.*