

Minutes of Meeting held on Wednesday, January 5, 2022 at 7:00 PM

Members of the Voluntown Recreation Commission:

Michael Kalwara
Michael Magario
Mark Simmons, Chairman
Jamie Anderson
Dean Wittwer

Melinda Bryan, Treasurer
Belinda Wiese
Courtney Magario, Secretary
Kristen Pellinen

Absent: Jamie Anderson, Dean Wittwer
Guests:

Ascertain a Quorum

There were 7 of 9 present – served as a quorum.

Call to Order

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

Previous Minutes

Courtney made a motion to approve the December minutes and Belinda seconded.

Treasurer's Report

We spent \$2,275.60 from our budget.
There is \$10,724.40 remaining.

Constitution budget has \$16,596.57.

Old Business

Recreation Basketball

We are going to hold off on hosting basketball this winter due to the current COVID situation. We will look to see what things are like in the spring time.

COVID Relief Funds

Surprise Funds: We are getting money from the Brown Road Subdivision to use for open space maintenance, upgrades, etc.

ARPA Funds: Town has set aside \$50,000 to go towards the pavilion and \$50,000 towards the commission. There will be specific guidelines for us to follow on how to use these funds. The commission will look into plans for another pavilion.

Caring for the Recreation Fields

Mike K. made a motion to accept the plan presented by DPW to seed the fields Melinda seconded.

We are going to follow up with DPW to see if there is any equipment they would need to maintain the fields yearly. As well as an estimate of what cost would be to upkeep the fields annually.

We are also going to check in to see the timeline after work has been completed. We need to know how long to keep the field clear for growing to be done.

New Business

Town Van

The commission does not feel a need for the van. There isn't anything we would use it for.

2022-23 Budget

We would like to add a line item for field upkeep.

Budget is due by the end of March.

Correspondence

There was no correspondence.

Review of Minutes

The commission reviewed the minutes.

General Discussion

Belinda is going to host a Spring Festival, we are looking to do it on the end of April.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:02 pm. Melinda made the motion and Belinda seconded.

Respectfully submitted by Courtney Magario.