

NEW DURHAM PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION

MINUTES

SEPTEMBER 18, 2019

PRESENT: Darlene DeMerritt, Andrew Hernandez, Dot Veisel, Celeste Chasse P&R Director

EXCUSED ABSENCE: Doug Perkins, Mark Detremont.

Meeting called to order at 7:00.

No public input.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Commissioners congratulated the P&R Director on a successful Playground Dedication Ceremony.
- No request for reimbursement from the Revolving Fund has been requested by the town financial office. Members asked P&R Director to pursue obtaining a monthly update of the balance in this fund so the account can be reconciled in a timely fashion.
- Plans for Halloween activities at the Meeting House were proposed by the P&R Director. Activities planned include games and a Haunted Trail walk. Commission voted to commit \$200 to buy candy and supplies for this event

Andrew Hernandez moved and Darlene DeMerritt seconded:

Move to authorize the P&R Director to spend an amount not to exceed \$200 for supplies and candy for the Halloween Activities at the Meeting House on October 31.

Motion unanimously approved

- Senior Holiday Banquet is scheduled for 12/1 at the New Durham School. P&R Director will ask kitchen staff member to be present that day so we can access the kitchen. She will also contact Robin Stuart to request the guest list and contacts for ordering centerpieces. Invitations will go out in early November.
- Craft Fair is scheduled for 11/23. Vendors have already started inquiring about date and reservations. After discussion, the members agreed to allow commercial vendors on a space available policy. Celeste will see if the cafeteria is available on that day to accommodate overflow. Commissioners agreed to continue the "No Raffle" policy except for raffles conducted by Parks and Recreation. PRC and the New Durham Charitable Trust will host the food table.

- Date Night is scheduled for 11/15. Parents can drop their children off and have a “Date Night” while children are supervised in the school gym. Games, popcorn, and a movie will be available.
- P&R Director reported there has been some vandalism at the field. DPW will address the repair/clean-up.
- P&R Director needs to hire a Jr Referee to fully staff soccer games.

Andrew moved and Darlene seconded:

Move to hire candidate 1 as a Jr. Referee for the soccer season to be paid \$15 per game.

Motion unanimously passed.

Andrew moved and Darlene seconded:

Move to upgrade candidate 2 from Jr. Referee to Referee for the soccer season to be paid \$25 per game.

Motion passed unanimously.

- Holiday House Decorating contest was discussed and approved.

Andrew moved and Darlene seconded:

Move to authorize P&R Director to purchase prizes for Holiday House Decorating contest, the amount not to exceed \$100.

Motion passed unanimously.

- Next meeting is 10/9 at 7:00 in the Community Room.

Meeting adjourned at 9:50

Respectfully submitted,

Dorothy L Veisel, PRC