Meeting Minutes - Recreation Committee

Date: November 14, 2023

Attendees:

• [List of Attendees]

Agenda:

1. Assessment Results:

- Positive feedback on numbers.
- Decision to proceed with focus groups for further insights.
- Emphasis that the results won't be visible to the committee until February.
- Discussion on utilizing these mechanisms (members) for the Master Plan.
- Plan to use initial data numbers and involve focus groups within the community (schoolers, seniors, rec committee, parents, etc.) for in-depth analysis.

2. September Minutes:

• Approval of September minutes.

3. Open Issues:

- No further updates on the grant; currently in the funding process.
- Limited actions at facilities (bandstand, veteran's field) due to federal funding rules.
- Consideration of cutting some trees on the property for safety.

4. Turkey Trot:

- Shirts and maple syrup pickups completed.
- Introducing 2-hour volunteer shifts to optimize participation.
- Sale table planned with old merchandise.
- Title Sponsor: Mountain Edge Suites.

5. New Member Interest:

- Discussion on combined programs, special rec funding, and sports uniforms.
- Focus on finding a balance between dealing with parents and providing quality rec services.
- A member has threatened to resign; discussion on entering a 3-year position.

6. Basketball:

- High numbers for teams; inclusivity emphasized for late sign-ups.
- Challenge with uniform ordering due to high numbers.
- Consideration of cost savings with InkFactory over Paint in Place.
- Exploring various sources to promote sign-ups.
- Possibility of forming two girls' basketball teams with 14 interested players.

7. Sunapee Village Christmas:

- Request for cash contributions (\$1,250) instead of gingerbread houses.
- Discussion on challenges of giving cash to a nonprofit.

8. Rec Committee Positions:

- Announcement that Charlene won't seek renewal in October.
- Proposal to recruit and fill committee positions, especially the chair and secretary roles.

9. Rec Committee By-laws:

- Discussion on reassessing by-laws.
- Emphasis on cleaning up by-laws for better communication with the select board.

10. Advocacy Ads:

- Plan to place two ads in the Shopper advocating the need for a full-time rec director.
- Acknowledgment of the need for specific legal wording.

11. Sunday Night Gym Futsal:

- Proposal for open access to AS students, potential extension to adults.
- Collaboration with the school, considering Jon Reed as a school official.
- Interest from seniors in line dancing and midweek indoor space use.

12. Ice Skating Rink:

In discussion before the grounds freeze.

Next Meeting Agenda:

- 1. Reassessing by-laws.
- 2. Budget discussion.
- 3. Ice rink planning.
- 4. 2024 plan.

5. Warrant decision.

Meeting concluded at 8:35pm

Next Meeting: 12/12/2023