

**Town of Sunapee: Recreation Committee
Meeting Minutes for November 9, 2021**

- **In Attendance:** Scott Blewit, Samantha Heino, Melissa Trow, Jesse Socci, Megan Oxland, Dan Hayward, Dan Whitmoyer.
 - **Guests:** Shannon Martinez: Sunapee Town Manager
- **Meeting called to order by Scott: 5:35 PM.**
- **Meeting Ended: 6:40 PM. Motioned by Megan, Seconded by Dan H.**
- **No Votes or policy updates took place during this meeting**
- **Attachments: None**
- **Approval of October Meeting Minutes has been tabled until next meeting**
- 1) Halloween Recap:**
 - Haunted Harbor was cancelled due to inclement weather
 - Trick-or-treating on Central Street went very well, large turnout
- 2) Soccer Recap:**
 - All playoff and jamboree's are now completed and went smoothly
 - Teams 3rd grade and up are in process of having end of season pizza parties
 - Participation numbers can be found in the Aug. 10 Recreation meeting minutes
- 3) Basketball Update:**
 - Participation numbers are currently as follows:
 - 12 - K
 - 20 - 1st / 2nd Graders
 - 16 - 3rd / 4th Grade Boys
 - 7 - 3rd / 4th Grade Girls
 - 7 - 5th / 6th Grade Boys
 - 13 - 5th / 6th Grade Girls
 - Registration is still in the process of happening. Scott expects these numbers to still climb some. If no more 5th / 6th grade girls then they will remain as one team
- 4) Women's Self Defense Class:**
 - A Women's Self Defense class is going to be held on Saturday, Nov 20th from 4 PM to 6PM in the Sherburne Gym. Currently there are 6 people signed up.
 - There is an age requirement of 16 years and up as some adult language and real life scenarios will be used. The cost for the class is \$35

5) Turkey Trot Update:

- Currently sitting at 381 participants
- Scott expects one more wave of registrations to come through as we get closer
- Currently sitting around \$5,000 in sponsorships, Scott said that's the most that he can ever recall having
- Shirt design will be long sleeve orange shirt with white writing. Scott will have some leftover for sale at the event
- Need volunteers both for the night prior and day of race. Dan H has used a program called Sign-Up Genius in the past and is going to set up a sign up for the Turkey Trot
- Cost for the event is \$25 (was \$20 if signed up prior to Nov. 4)

6) Christmas in the Harbor:

- There is a meeting being held for this event (through Project Sunapee) tomorrow night at 5 PM at the library. All welcome to attend.
- Ideas are being requested for this event – last year was only the drive by Santa due to COVID
- The location of the event may be discussed (will still be in town)

7) Veterans Day (This Thursday, Nov 11):

- No School Thursday
- Recreation is doing a collaboration with Police / Fire at the Safety Services building
- Join us for coffee and conversation at 9 AM
- Refreshments will be provided at event
- Recreation to give out free Sunapee camo hats to veterans at the event

8) General Updates:

- Warrant Articles
 - Full time Recreation Director is still on track
 - Van purchase for recreation use is still on track
 - Storage facility at Dewy Field has been tabled pending further discussion
 - Veterans Field is currently in the hands of Pathways, waiting on response
- There was discussion surrounding strategic planning moving forward for the Recreation Committee
- There was discussion about COVID and masks. We are still proceeding as normal (masks optional and we can use school facilities), until there is a reason to change policy, or if something comes down from the schools.
- Met with Selectman – budget has been presented
- The skating rink is set to go up soon on Veterans Field
- The Recreation Department is always looking for donations of new or gently used skates, helmets, sticks, pucks. Will take any type of skate
- There was a question as to if people could borrow skates for the season again. Scott does not have a problem with this as long as they are returned to the warming up at the end of the winter