RECREATION COMMISSION TOWN OF HAMPTON FALLS

NOVEMBER 20, 2023 - 7:00 PM **TOWN HALL**

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Meeting called to order: 7:03 pm

Attendance: Gisela Manna, Chair; Linda Savoy, Treasurer; Kara Dumont, Secretary; Pam Fitzgerald, Dianna Kouloheras, Colleen Farias

Absent: Karla Donatelli, Mark Lane, Selectman Representative

Review and Approval of Minutes:

MOTION: To approve the minutes for the meetings on October 16, 2023. **MOTION:** Gisela Manna **SECOND:** Pam Fitzgerald Abstentions: None Passed

		General Ledger	PRC
Revolving Fund			
Previous Balance (Sept):	\$ 1,490.00		\$ 30,829.91
New Balance (Oct):	\$ 1,490.00		\$ 31,089.26

General Account: \$ 1490.00

<u>Revolving Fund:</u> \$ 31,089.26

Communication Update- Colleen Farias

Old Business:

Governor Weare Park Update- Gisela Manna

When a bid committee is formed for the drainage project the Recreation Commission would like to have a member on the committee to advise about the needs of the teams and users of the field.

2024 Budget Outbrief from Board of Selectmen Meeting- Gisela Manna

The proposed budget for the Recreation Commission has been approved by the Board of Selectmen.

Storage Container- Colleen Farias

There is a plan for the painting and cleaning of the container. Shelves will be built in place instead of purchased. This will save the Commission some money and will be built by a volunteer. The Commission will purchase the materials.

Scarecrows on the Common- Colleen Farias

The scarecrows event did not have a lot of participation. The Commission will look into ways to better publicize the event for more public participation.

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LAS PTO Trunk or Treat

The Truck or Treat was a big success with lots of family participation. There was great feedback from the students about the foam party event.

Avesta/Meadows Senior Center-Linda Savoy/Dianna Kouloheras

The third Chair Yoga session will begin on Oct. 18th and run for 6 weeks. Cost is \$5 per class. Attendance has been good for Chair Yoga. Cribbage will be every Tuesday at 11:00 am at building 2 at Avesta. Mrs. Dumont will confirm with Tuesday Orluk about the teen yoga session starting in January. Mrs. Kouloheras will speak with Debbie Onaki on whether or not the December herbal wellness class will be held in person or on Zoom. If there are no sign ups for a Zoom in December the Commission will ask if it could be held in person in January.

Wreaths Across America- Linda Savoy

Mrs. Savoy has Michael Stan setting up the audio. She has organized teams of volunteers. There are approximately 45 volunteers. There are two volunteers who will be giving out the hats and giving out the team assignments for the wreaths. Mrs. Savoy will organize ordering hot chocolate and donuts for the check in table. The event begins at noon on Dec. 16th. Mrs. Farias will check and see if there are students from LAS who could come sing the national anthem or sing patriotic songs.

Library Events- Linda Savoy/Kara Dumont

The Commission provided 80 ornaments for the ornament decorating event being held at the library on Dec 1st and 2nd.

Tree Lighting Booked for Dec 2nd, 6 pm- Kara Dumont

The Commission will meet on Thursday, Nov. 30th to decorate the tree. The Tonry Tree Farm graciously donated the tree to the town. The Commission will provide hot chocolate and cookies for the event. We'll need a table and a couple of volunteers to man the table. The schedule for the evening is as follows:

5:30 Table with cookies and hot chocolate set up

5:30 Town children invited to place their ornaments on the tree

5:30-7:30 TJ Wheeler to provide Christmas music

5:45 arrival of Mr. and Mrs Claus at the fire station

6:00 arrival of Mr. and Mrs. Claus on the fire truck to the town common, followed by opening prayer

7:30-8:00 Clean up

MOTION: To allocate \$200 to TJ Wheeler for music at the Tree Lighting Ceremony. MOTION: Gisela Manna SECOND: Linda Savory Passed

Ice Rink Setup- Colleen Farias

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Dave Cavaretta and Kevin Merrill will manage the setup of the rink. This should happen in the next couple of weeks as soon as the soccer goals are moved off the field.

Winter Festival- Gisela Manna

The Recreation Commission will host a winter carnival in February at Governor Weare Park. More planning for this will occur at the December meeting.

New Business:

Mrs. Farias has been in touch with Studios 2 Go about hosting an event over the winter break. The event would be a gaming truck and children would stay for an hour time slot. Children will be charged \$10 for one hour in the gaming truck.

MOTION: To allocate \$400.00 for a gaming truck/and or Nerf event over the winter vacation week at LAS.

MOTION: Colleen Farias SECOND: Kara Dumont Abstentions: None Passed

Other- Gisela Manna None

The next meeting is on December 18th at 7 p.m.

Adjourn MOTION: Move to adjourn at 7:59 pm. MOTION: Gisela Manna SECOND: Linda Savory Abstentions: None Passed

Prepared by: Kara Dumont 11/20/2023