# Town of Wilmington Recreation Commission Minutes of the Meeting April 14, 2022

### **Present:**

Members – Saresh Alambath, Charles Biondo, and Laurie Robarge Also in Attendance – Recreation Director Karen Campbell, and Senior Clerk, Marilyn Manos Absent – Jennifer Crane and Michael Burns

The meeting was called to order at 5:09 p.m.

#### **Minutes**

The March 3, 2022 meeting minutes were accepted unanimously. Motion by Charles Biondo; second by Saresh Alambath.

Director's Report: Karen reviewed the details of the Monthly Report for March 2022.

### **Old Business:**

### **New Business:**

Summer Staffing: We have posted openings for Lifeguards and an Assistant Beach Supervisor and are in desperate need at least 6 more to open the beach. The starting salary is \$16.25 an hour and certification classes are available at select locations.

MRPA Conference: Marilyn shared what she learned from each session she attended, as well as her overall takeaway from the conference. It was a great experience to be able to connect with people from other towns and see what programs their departments offer for their communities.

## **Discussion/Questions:**

Charlie shared his positive thoughts on his recent trips he attended with us saying, "Our travel program is second to none," and "It's not the trip itself, it's the people you go with."

Age Range of Trips: Saresh asked about trips for families, but it is challenging to plan trips with children because of their schedules and vacations. To date, we haven't received any inquiries. Currently, we do offer a Rapids and Rafts day trip for children 5 and older, as well as a theater trip to "Anastasia" suitable for age 7 and older. Our overnight trips have the benefit of people not having to plan anything and also welcomes "singles," helping them meet new people and see and do things they would not normally do on their own.

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, May 5, 2022 at 5:00 p.m. in Town Hall, Room 9. The meeting was adjourned at 5:54 p.m. by a unanimous vote. Motion by Charles Biondo; second by Laurie Robarge.

Marilyn Manos Senior Clerk, Recreation