

**Town of Wilmington
Recreation Commission
Minutes of the Meeting
October 7, 2021**

Present:

Members – Saresb Alambath, Charles Biondo, Jennifer Crane, and Laurie Robarge

Absent – Michael Burns

Also in Attendance – Recreation Director Karen Campbell, and Senior Clerk, Linda Kanter

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

Minutes

The June 3, 2021 Meeting Minutes were accepted unanimously. Motion by Charles Biondo; second by Laurie Robarge.

Director's Report: Karen Campbell reviewed the details of the Monthly Reports for June, July August and September, 2021. Commissioners enjoyed the recap of summer programs, especially LEGO Civics.

Old Business:

Ice Rink – Indoor: The committee has resumed meetings. Responses to the community survey were across the spectrum of choices offered and did not provide specific direction. The existing four sites are still under consideration. They discussed issuing a Request for Information to outside vendors to examine the existing sites for possible project submissions.

Town Beach: In spite of the current lifeguard shortage, the Department was able to secure enough lifeguards to staff the beach this season. In the hopes of retaining staff, a free recertification class was offered for those needing to recertify prior to next season. Cold weather and prolonged beach closures due to high bacteria count had a significant impact on the beach season.

New Business:

Linda Kanter Retirement: Interviews are underway for the Senior Clerk position.

First Trips!: The first day trip since the start of the pandemic was held on September 30. Our first extended trip will be to America's Canyonlands later this month. For the foreseeable future, we will focus on trips within the United States.

Horribles Parade: This community favorite returns on Sunday October 24. The parade begins with a Police and Fire escort from the Public Safety building, ending at the High School where treats are distributed.

Santa's Workshop: Santa returns on Thursday, December 2 to Town Hall from 6 – 7:30 p.m.

Discussion/Questions:

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, November 4, 2021 at 5:00 p.m. in Town Hall, Room 9. The meeting was adjourned at 5:46 p.m. by a unanimous vote. Motion by Jennifer Crane; second Charles Biondo

Submitted by:

Linda Kanter
Senior Clerk, Recreation