

## **Vershire Recreation Committee Meeting Minutes**

Wednesday, May 4, 2022

Meeting commenced 5:35pm at Town Center and via Zoom

Adjourned at 6:50 pm

Attendees: Ken Bushey, Karen Ward, Liz Thames, John Jennings, Reva Seybolt and Devan Waters

### **Agenda**

#### **I. Bounce House:**

- Could we buy a bounce house? They seem to be about \$1,000 for a large one and it's at least \$250 to rent one for a day, so let's try to buy one.
- Can we fundraise for it? Let's do a targeted fundraising effort
- Where could we store it? Maybe in Liz or Devan's barns or could we get a storage bin for the town center?
- Create a Venmo account for the Rec Committee to collect donations? Or people could write checks
  - Ken to research getting Venmo
  - Alison as treasurer might use it
- Listserve write-up to advertise the fundraising effort:
  - Liz to write up
  - Karen to make a poster
- Research which bounce house to buy:
  - Karen to do
  - Liz to ask SunCommon where they got their bounce house

#### **II. Food Trucks: Let's schedule one a month all summer:**

- Wednesday, May 25: Karen confirmed VinDogs from 4pm-8pm
  - Asking VinDogs to share \$50 of his tips
  - Do this as a bounce house fundraiser
    - Devan to make fundraiser thermometer and GIANT donation jar: for the bounce house
  - Karen will make a poster to send home with kids
  - Liz will do listserv posting
  - Put rolls of paper out on tables for kids to color on (Reva to show us where the rolls of paper are)
  - Sell popsicles if the Town Center Committee has purchased a freezer by then
    - Reva to let us know
- June Food Truck:
  - Schedule for the last day of school (which is still TBD due to snow/COVID days)
  - Goal: have the bounce house purchased by then

#### **III. Other possible food night events:**

- Pizza oven? Ken is trained on the oven:
  - We should find a date to train other Rec Committee members—maybe a Saturday or Sunday
- Devan to ask Stephano at Pearl Street Pizza if he'd be interested in coming

- Chili Cook Off:
  - Do one in the fall—maybe for the fall festival?

#### **IV. Clean-up Date: Saturday, May 14<sup>th</sup>:**

- Clean-up the grounds, ski rink removal and tent set-up
- 9am - noon

#### **V. Vershire Day Participation:**

- Brainstorm of possible kids events:
  - Touch a truck? Would the fire department bring a truck?
    - Devan to ask fire department
  - If we have the bounce house, let's do that
  - Arts & crafts?
  - Lawn Games: cornhole, bowling, volleyball net, horseshoe pit
  - Kids concert?
  - Modern Times Theatre puppet show:
    - Liz to email to ask if they could come that day or another day?
    - Liz to email Laura Craft to let her know what we're thinking
  - Is anyone coordinating the parade?

#### **VI. Yard Sale:**

- Do it the same day as the Chelsea Flea Market: Saturday, July 9<sup>th</sup>
- 9am start
- Charge \$10 a spot for people to sell stuff
- Host a bake sale fundraiser that day too:
  - Ask Rosie to make cheese ball pretzels
  - Ask Mauricio if he'd make donuts?
- Put a sign on the road to advertise
- Ken will grill food to sell at 11am; Liz will help
- Get out the popcorn machine and sell popcorn
- Ask Justin to bring coffee truck?
  - Devan to ask: Justin is out of town that day but will hopefully have someone else who can bring the truck

#### **VII. Movie Rights:**

- Karen to look into how we go about doing a movie night through the school library
- Devan checked with Andi: they do have movie rights through the state and can purchase more for a reasonable price (\$80)? Andi to research further

#### **VIII. Other Fundraiser Ideas:**

- Sweatshirts: Karen will do this
- Car wash possibly?

#### **IX. Potluck Nights:**

- Themes? Have community members come to speak about their business?

- A ‘Welcome to Vershire’ potluck for new residents? Block Party Theme! Have a recurring night per month?
- Reva to see if Town Center committee will take this up; Rec Committee will be back-up help/support with publicity, etc

**X. Budget Support on Town Meeting Day:**

- Publicize to Facebook group
- It’s a floor vote
- Write for listserve—Liz to do