

VERSHIRE RECREATION COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA

Date: Wednesday, December 6, 2023

Meeting Commenced: 5:06pm

Meeting Adjourned: 6:32pm

Location: Vershire Town Center

Agenda submitted by: Liz Thames, Rec Committee Secretary

Attendees: Amanda Gilman, Karen Ward, Ken Bushey, Reva Seybolt, Liz Thames

- I. Review and approve November 1, 2023 meeting minutes:
 - a. Karen motioned to approve; Ken seconded.

- II. Eagle Hollow rock-climbing area discussion:
 - a. Tabled until spring 2024

- III. Budget Planning and Discussion: see google spreadsheet [here](#)
 - a. Everyone to review and let Liz know if it is ok
 - b. Liz will send to Gretchen for the Selectboard mtg

- IV. Upcoming Events/Past Event Debriefs:
 - 1) Debrief on Towns-giving & rink set-up on Saturday, November 18:
 - a. Don't do this again; not enough attendees
 - 2) December: Holiday Event on Saturday, December 9, 2023; 1-3pm
 - a. Nicole's dad will be Santa again
 - b. Craft: ornament decorating:
 - i. Karen to plan this
 - c. Cookie dough & decorating with Liz:
 - i. Liz will make the dough ahead of time and then bake it at the TCB with the kids
 - d. Hot cocoa: was too hot last year; need to make it cooler this year:
 - i. Use the percolator
 - e. Winter gear swap for all sizes & ages (adults too)→drop off in bin on COH porch (Devon to manage donations)
 - f. Popcorn machine:
 - i. Make it ahead of time
 - g. Coloring pages: Karen to bring
 - h. Coloring table cloths
 - i. Liz make a poster for Karen to send home in backpacks
 - 3) January: Ice Rink Grand Opening (Date TBD as its weather dependent)
 - a. Ken to get a deal on a snowblower (hopefully); Town Center Committee to pay for it
 - b. Fire pit is purchased
 - 4) Westshire is tentatively planning to do a winter carnival at the Town Center in order to have the kids ice skate, snow shoe and build snowmen (date TBD)
 - 5) Skiway tickets for adults on a weekday morning:
 - a. Set a day and time for people to come register in person

- b. \$10 per person per day for a set number of weeks; need to commit in advance (for example: 6 people for 6 weeks every Tuesday):
 - i. Weekdays OR weekends: have to pick a day of the week, but it can be anytime that day
 - ii. Make a google form for ppl to sign-up via the listserv
 - iii. No cap on how many people can participate
 - iv. \$10 rental per day
- c. Advertising: listserv post with a google form to fill out; how will we have people pay?
 - i. Needs to include a link to the Skiway release
 - ii. Ken to ask Gene how he wants us to have people pay
 - iii. Liz to draft listserv post

From the Skiway: “Overall, the beginner area is very busy on the weekends with weekly programs so not the most conducive environment for a rec program, but something that isn’t a firm no. Overall, best days of the week are Monday-Wednesday. No blackouts, however, most schools will opt to skip Carnival week which is 2/8-11. We encourage starting early in the season, in case there are any needed makeup days.

I need to know how many weeks you wish to attend and can build your products. Standard procedure is Vershire Rec handles the registration fees (we charge \$0 online) and that purchase of \$0 covers the liability/ticket information needed. This is also how we bill you at the end of the season, per registered participant.

Rentals - we charge the participant directly for the rental. If you are offering scholarships we will match it with a scholarship rental which we provide a code for.

Payment - In the example of a 6 week program, the participant will be charge \$60 for the equipment paid directly to the Skiway. Vershire Rec will be charged \$60 per participant. Adult volunteers are free and are welcome to utilize the \$60 rental if needed.”

- 1) Weds, January 17 at 6pm:
 - a. Adult game night
- 2) Family movie night: Sat, January 27 at 4pm:
 - a. Inside, upstairs
 - b. Hot dogs, popcorn, crafts (need big boxes for car craft)
 - c. Ask for movie suggestions
- 3) Saturday, February 17, 2024 at 7pm:
 - a. Adult movie night
- 4) February TBD date:
 - a. Kid game night
 - b. Depends on which day we get ski passes for

- V. Future Food Truck possibilities:
 - a. Cornerstone
 - b. Chicken Wiggle

- VI. Future event ideas:
- 1) Piano event? Reva to look into it
 - 2) February: do a band inside? Adult prom?
 - c. Ted Mortimer's band—Reva to ask Caro to ask Ted
 - d. Jordan Lyford's band—save them for next summer so that they can play outside
 - 3) March: do karaoke?
 - a. Movie evening inside
 - b. Paint-n-sip?
 - i. Karen to ask art teacher if she could do this
 - ii. We would buy the supplies and paint
 - 4) Teen hang-out night: high school & middle school:
 - a. Amanda is in conversations with Rivendell Academy
 - i. Reva noted that Alice and Tovahn are looking into creating a more permanent teen hangout spot at the Church Orr House
 - b. Regular event? Monthly? Start in January
 - c. Snacks, games, etc
 - d. We can chaperone
 - 5) Talent show: April?
 - a. VerShare is taking this on
 - 6) Kids Craft Fair/Show
- VII. Pavilion and Town Center Committee updates from Reva (as needed)
- VIII. Planning Commission:
- a. Liz to write: a section on community development. What would we like to see over the next ten years? A vision of what we'd like to do:
 - i. Keep the field as a field for playing
 - ii. Maintain the playground and pizza oven
 1. Add a sandbox with cover/toddler playground
 2. A playhouse
 - iii. Regular events on a monthly basis:
 - iv. talent show
 - v. Vershare camp
 - vi. Ice rink
 - vii. Passes for rec activities outside of Vershire (Treasure Island passes, Skiway passes, etc)
 - viii. Group exercise classes for all ages:
 1. By donation and hosted by the Rec Committee would be fine
- IX. Any other business
- X. Reva motioned to adjourn; Karen seconded. Meeting was adjourned at 6:32pm.