

VERSHIRE RECREATION COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Date: Wednesday, March 6, 2024

Meeting Commenced: 5:03pm

Meeting Adjourned: 6:58pm

Location: Vershire Town Center

Attendees: Ken Bushey, Reva Seybolt, Karen Ward and Liz Thames

Agenda submitted by: Liz Thames, Rec Committee Secretary

- I. Review and approve 2/12/24 meeting minutes:
 - a. Ken motioned to approve; Reva seconded.

- II. Ice rink updates (if needed):
 - a. Rink is done for the year
 - b. Ice rink liner is ripped and needs to be thrown out
 - c. Will plan a clean-up in May after everything has dried out
 - d. It would be ideal to keep up the lights and boards for next year

- III. Budget Planning and Discussion: see google spreadsheet [here:](#)
 - a. Town meeting is Sunday, April 7th at 1pm
 - b. Our current remaining funds: \$3,734 (although this may not be accurate as we recently paid one of the bands). We're probably at \$2,500
 - c. Liz to send the report and budget to Gene

- IV. Liz to create a google drive for the Rec Committee:
 - a. Create a folder and give everyone editor

- V. Upcoming Events/Past Event Debriefs:
 - 1) Liz to send all event dates and posters to all area schools: Samuel Morey, TES, Bradford, Chelsea, Strafford, Corinth
 - 1) Reschedule family movie night?
 - 2) Restart adult game night?
 - 3) Debrief on Adult Movie Night: Saturday, March 2, 2024
 - a. Kelly made the room look gorgeous
 - b. Took an hour to set up and an hour to clean up
 - c. Popcorn was great
 - d. 9 people total in attendance
 - e. Reva and Ken say they would do it again
 - 4) Piano event is this Sunday, March 10th at 4pm
 - 5) Note on our posters advertising events:
 - a. Suzanne Gauthier prints all of our posters and pays for the ink and hangs them up; we are very grateful for this work!
 - 6) Rescheduling the Saturday, March 23rd Easter Egg Hunt to Saturday, March 30th (day before Easter) due to the Rivendell budget vote now happening on 3/23/24

- a. Reva will be the bunny
- b. Ken, Reva, Liz and Karen will be there
- c. 10am open; 10:30am egg hunt starts
- 7) Vershire Artisan Farmer's Market would like some help
- 8) April 11th: paint-n-snacks Event:
 - a. Can we, as the Rec Committee, charge for this and then pay her for her work
 - b. \$200 to the art teacher
 - c. Have a donation jar
 - d. Chips and seltzer
 - e. Weeknight would be better; could do 6pm: Thursday, April 11th
 - f. Rec Comm would need to provide the materials: wood, paint, brushes
- 9) No April event due to Town Meeting and Cabaret event
- 10) May event: Thursday, May 23rd:
 - a. Karen has booked VinDogs: 4:30pm
 - b. Liz booked bounce house
 - c. Ken to reach out to Ted Mortimer's band
- 11) Friday, June 14: end-of-school party (date pending actual last day of school):
 - a. Face painting
 - b. Grill burgers and hot dogs
 - c. Liz booked bounce house
- 12) July: Saturday the 6th: Vershire Day:
 - a. Liz emailed to book bounce house and dunk tank
- 13) August: Back-to-School party
 - a. Monday, August 26 is the first day of school
 - b. Do Friday, August 23?
- 14) September: band and pizza
 - a. Do advance orders for pizza
- 15) October: Harvest Festival
 - a. Pick a date

VI. Outdoor activities:

- a. Basketball, badminton net, horseshoe equipment
- b. Make some sort of box to hold balls
- c. Should we have rentals? A check-out system?

VII. Future event ideas:

- 1) February: do a band inside? Adult prom?
 - b. Ted Mortimer's band—Reva to ask Caro to ask Ted
 - c. Jordan Lyford's band—save them for next summer so that they can play outside
- 2) 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

- 3) 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
- 4) Kids Craft Fair/Show

VIII. Group exercise classes:

- a. The challenge is the need for insurance if the class isn't free
- b. Do a suggested donation
- c. VerShare is willing to sponsor this and do it under their insurance.
 - i. They will check with their insurance and Reva will follow-up on the paperwork.
 - ii. There will be a calendar on the Vershire Town Center website
 - iii. A sponsored event by any town organization will fill out a form and, if it's sponsored, the insurance doesn't have to be dealt with
 - iv. If it's free and open to the public (even if by donations), then it's free to use the TCB
 1. If charging a specific amount, you need to go to the selectboard

IX. Tabled for future discussion and/or notes to carry forward:

- a. Eagle Hollow rock-climbing area
- b. Don't do a Towns-giving event again; not enough attendees

X. Any other business.

XI. Reva motioned to adjourn at 6:58pm, Ken seconded and the meeting was adjourned at 6:58pm.