**Recreation Committee  
April 8, 2019  
4:00PM, Center Office Building/ 2nd Floor Conference Room**

**Members in attendance:** Erin Carson (EC), Mary Lou Volpe (MV), Dan Thompson (DT), Annie Roscioli (AR)

**Members Absent**: Kadion Phillips

**Others in Attendance:** Jeff Bridges, Town Administrator. Jim Waddick, Finance Committee.

**OPENING OF MEETING**: EC made motion to open meeting at 4:07 PM. MV seconded. Vote 3-0.

**APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES**

3/11/19- EC made a motion to accept minutes. Seconded by MV Vote 3-0.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**1. Welcome new Town Administrator, Jeff Bridges.** AR introduced the new Town Administor and welcomed him to our meeting.

**2. Meeting with Finance Committee lasion Jim Waddick.** AR greeted and Jim and thanked him for coming. J. Waddick listend to discussions from old business, field plans, and AR said she would update Finance pending BOS meeting on Wednesday and their update on direction.

**3. Summer Recreation Program, and Summer Recreation Mini Program review.** AR presented Summer Program flyer to committee and reviewed dates and fees. AR stated that the department received 5 applications total for the summer program, 1 for lifeguard and 4 for “playleader” spots. This does not include the 5 active substitues or 10 inactive subs. With almost all returning staff there is one Life Guard position open and 1 Arts and Crafts Instructor. AR presented recommendations from herself and the Summer Program Coordinator.

**MV made a motion to rehire all returing staff applicable. DT seconded. Vote 3-0.**

**MV made a motion to hire Shiohan for position of Lifeguard. DT seconded. Vote 3-0.**

**EC made a motion to promote from active sub to full time position of Arts and Crafts. DT seconded. Vote 3-0.**

**DT made a motion to raise minimume age of work allowance at Recreation Program to 16 years old. Vote 3-0.**

**MV made a motion to bring back the CIT program with a registration fee of $10.00. Seconded by DT. Vote 3-0.**

**4. Outdoor, competitive basketball leagues targeted towards ages 14-19 to begin in June (expected). Registration deadline by May 17. This is a project being completed by Drew Darger, a student at THS interning with the Department through Dynamics in Democracy.** AR explained the goal is 4 v 4 structure with roughly 24- 28 sign ups. AR explained that D. Darger has distributed a survery amongst students to define a time, day, and style preferred by targeted age group. This program would include refs. Expected total cost for 1 Ref Per Night is $210. With 27 sign ups, minimum needed from players is $7.50. AR suggested a registration fee of $10-15 per player.

DT made a motion to establish the outdoor competitive basketball league, MV seconded. Vote 3-0.

DT made a motion to establish a maximum registration fee of $20, seconded by EC. Vote 3-0.

**Old Business**

**1. Review Proposal for Services provided by CME (60 Cedar St,70 Cedar Street, Combined Project).** AR explained to committee the changes that were made to the proposals and plans, as a third proposal was added by recommendation of the Town Administor. The third proposal is to look at 70 Cedar St for Rec only needs, and would be presented only if the joint project did not go forward. AR explained that this contridtcs the intention of the joint proposal, but as the SCSC was advised by Acting Town Administor to submit a lone proposal for 70 Cedar St, Recreation must as well to protect our only functioing Rec Area. There was heavy discussion on how so many articles came to be, and how confusing it was to even those working on the project. AR asked to take no action at this time, and wait until Board of Selectmen weighs their input. MV asked what the need for the senior center to rolcate is, J. Waddick noted that their three floors is viewed as dangerous and lack of parking is the reason they are looking for a new parcel.

**PROPERTY USAGE REQUESTS**

**1. Turners Field, April 28th 8-1:00 PM. Requested by Sturbridge Lions Club for Annual River Race**

**2. Town Common, June 22nd 4-8:00 PM. Requested by Sturbridge Historical Society for 1775 Colonial Drill and Muster.**

**ADJOURNMENT:** MV made motion to adjourn meeting at 5:37. Seconded by EC. Vote 3-0.  
  
**Tentative Next Meeting:** Tuesday April 16, 2019 4:00 PM.

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Annie Roscioli**

**Recreation Director**