

Town of Woodbury Parks and Recreation Committee Meeting

Minutes from 4/18/2023

1. Call To Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call – Present: Brad Cassity, Willa Freiband, Martha Lopez, Lidice Mendoza, Phil Sabatelli
 - a. Joey Gianzero, Town Board Liaison Brandon Calore
 - b. Absent: Mike Luongo, Marty Nask
 - c. Guest: Corrina DeJesus
4. Two spelling corrections made to Minutes.
 - a. Acceptance of Minutes – Motion by Brad Cassity; Seconded by Phil Sabatelli
5. Park Directors Report:
 - a. Cleaning of the parks is ongoing in preparation for the upcoming season.
 - b. The work around the Zero entry area at the pool is complete.
 - c. There have been some electronic bikers attempting to ride at the Rez. They are not allowed on the grounds.
 - d. Security has begun Monday through Friday and Sunday.
 - e. All complaints that are received should be directed to the Parks and Recreation Department.
 - f. There are only a few open positions remaining for this summer for Security guards, lifeguards, and gate keepers.
6. Town Board Liaison Report:
 - a. Brandon Calore talked with Orange County Runner’s Club about coming out for the 5K at this year’s First Responder’s Day.
 - b. Regarding Highschool volunteers, the Cornwall School District Guidance Department has a portal that can help us find volunteers. They will let us put a link to our volunteer form.
7. Committee members reviewed a draft of the Parks and Recreation survey and made some adjustments. The survey is intended for Woodbury residents. The feedback will show how residents feel about Parks facilities and activities. The responses will help as we plan future events. A motion to send the draft to the Town Board for final review was made by Martha Lopez and seconded by Brad Cassity. Willa Freiband will send it to the Town Board members for feedback before it is distributed to the public.
8. Sports League discussion was tabled until Mike Luongo is present.
9. The water feature for the Rez is waiting for Board of Health approval.
10. Joey Gianzero is getting prices for the 4th of July fireworks.
11. Martha Lopez reported that Monroe Woodbury schools will post information about volunteer opportunities with the Parks and Recreation department.
12. To help get word out about Parks and Recreation events, the Facebook and Instagram pages have been synced making it easier to cross post. The link is: [Town_of_Woodbury_Parks](#)
13. Make Your Own Kite event. Joey Gianzero will get kites and offer them to the community.
14. The first aid kits that were part of Kitz of Kidz have been used. The student who started the project, Olivianna, is back from school and surveyed the kits. There was some discussion about how the kits are packaged and how the contents spill out too easily. The committee will share their feedback with her.
15. First Responder’s Day Planning.
 - a. T shirts are being ordered. Phil will coordinate with EMS. A list of activities is being shared with Fire, Police and EMS to determine what is most popular and which ones to remove. May 1 – 15 is the goal to get a rough number of participants so planning can get underway. Joey Gianzero will order Basket pong.
16. The bull ride was deemed too dangerous and will not take place.
17. There are talks about having Food Trucks at the pool 3 days a week.
18. Joey Gianzero will get information about having a Petting Zoo on Kids Day.

19. Old Business: The Easter Egg Hunt was very well received. The addition of activities to make the day last longer was a success.
20. New Business: Corinna DeJesus, from the YMCA, asked how the Y and the Parks and Recreation Department could work together. There were many ideas of events that could be sponsored with the YMCA partnering with Parks and Recreation. More discussion is planned.

Motion to adjourn made by Brad Cassity; Seconded by Lidice Mendoza