



Parks and Recreation Meeting Minutes January 11, 2023

The Deep River Parks and Recreation Commission held a regular monthly meeting on January 11, 2023. It was held in a hybrid format.

P & R Commission chairperson, Christopher Marra, called the meeting to order at 7:48 pm. Members present were: Treasurer Miriam Morrissey, Jan Edgerton and Nicole Desrosiers. Members absence were: Dave Berardis, Kristen Chasse, Leslie Sheehan, Sarah Kateley, Brandon Woodcock, Kevin Crosby, Grace Petroka, and Elizabeth Taran. Director Carol Jones was also present. Due to a lack of quorum, no voting took place.

Audience of Citizens: Deep River resident, Kyra Beta, representing DRES PTO, and resident Mark Hotkowski.

Secretary's Report: No report

Treasurer's Report: report was presented. No vote taken

Committee reports:

Holiday stroll-went well. The parade lost a few participants as heavy winds and early day rain, caused a few to cancel. Great feedback utilizing the auditorium again for activities. This year DRES PTO, and the Friends of the Library had children's activities, planned to be set up outside on Veteran's Way, moved upstairs due to rainy conditions prior to the stroll. P & R outdoor planned activities, such as the carolers, tree lighting and fire performers were still held as the rain had stopped prior to the event. The inflatable snow globe for photos and the other inflatable game were also set up upstairs in the auditorium. Santa and Mrs. Claus were inside for photo ops, and the main conference room, had some local vendors set up near the gingerbread houses and 'guess how many' contests. All aspects of the night received good feedback.

Bus Trips-only 1 planned for March 8th, a trip to NYC to catch the Broadway show, Hadestown. Tickets are \$193.00.

No other committee reports

Old/New business: Smoking ban in the parks, as discussed in detail at a special P & R meeting in August 2022, still before the BOS for presentation at a town meeting later this spring.

Budget for FY 23-24 was submitted.

Parks-no report

Adjournment: Jan made a motion to adjourn; Miriam seconded. The chairperson adjourned the meeting @ 8:58 pm.

The next meeting of the Commission is scheduled for Wednesday, March 15, 2023.

Respectively submitted,

Carol Jones, Director
Acting Secretary