



## Parks and Recreation Meeting Minutes June 14, 2023

The Deep River Parks and Recreation Commission held a special meeting on June 14, 2023.

P & R Commission chairperson, Christopher Marra, called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm. Members present were: Jan Edgerton, Nicole Desrosiers, Kristen Chasse, Sandy Stroeter and Kayla Howard. Members absence were: Dave Berardis, Miriam Morrissey, Suzanne Sutch, Kristen Brennan, David Richard, Leslie Sheehan, Sarah Kateley, Brandon Woodcock, Kevin Crosby, Grace Petroka, and Elizabeth Taran. Director Carol Jones was also present.

Audience of Citizens: none

Two items on agenda-

Deep River Day and the Music Festival

### 1. Deep River Day:

- a. Date-September 16, 2023. Annual Deep River Run to the River, will take place beginning at 8:00am for the 1 mile and @ 9:00 am for the 5K. Plan to hire a DJ again for music at the field. Having music last year received positive feedback. Jones asked all members to help secure sponsors for the 5K.
- b. Pet parade will again be sponsored by P & R. Details to follow.
- c. Fireworks will again be held. Not sure if we have Whelen Engineering and Haynes Materials generously serving as sponsors again as waiting on Selectman's office to reach out to them. Will again sell glow sticks and such from the snack shack. Will need volunteers to help at all events that day. Jones will have sign up at the next couple of meetings. All members should plan to be available; all hands on deck.

### 2. Music Festival:

- a. Date: June 2024; tentatively scheduled for June 15-17, 2024
- b. Sub committees will be formed to address:
  - i. Name of Festival-many ideas kicked around. Still to be determined
  - ii. Budget- ARPA funds received for this event. Still could use more \$\$ to secure better bands
  - iii. Booking bands-Marra
  - iv. Determining locations- Marra and Jones; discussion about how spread out should locations be?
  - v. Port-o-lets/garbage- number and locations and point person-TBD
  - vi. Sponsorships-all were asked to try to secure sponsors
  - vii. Marketing- Desrosiers, Howard volunteered to help with this.
  - viii. Clean up-all asked to help out
  - ix. Other items-
    1. such as stage rental;
    2. transportation of audience-do we rent a mini-bus, trolley etc. to move people around town.
    3. Do we charge for a bracelet, or ticket or free?
    4. Try to match band with location and maybe a food item to match nature/genre of band
    5. Length of festival discussed. Maybe do only Saturday and Sunday? Or maybe only Friday night and Saturday?

Adjournment: Howard made a motion to adjourn; Desrosiers seconded. Meeting adjourned the meeting @8:37 pm.

Respectively submitted,

Carol Jones, Director

Acting Secretary