

Minutes of Warren Parks and Recreation Commission meeting held November 22, 2021 at the Warren Town Hall.

Present: Don Murphy, Director

Kirby Mullen

David Schneiderbeck

Kathleen Andreasen

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

REVIEW OF MINUTES

The minutes of the October 25 meeting were reviewed and approved on motion by Kirby, seconded by Dave.

FINANCIAL REPORT

The Director presented a financial statement for the year to date.

REVIEW OF PROGRAMS

Don noted there are 49 people signed up for the Kennebunkport, Maine trip. Regarding the summer beach operation, Don said the fees for beach passes were up 350% compared to his first year in Warren. Kirby asked how the new on-line system went and Don said it worked fine for day passes. He also said having the gate guard on duty until 7 p.m. was well received.

The members reviewed the mailing for the Holiday on the Hill events. The Parks Commission members will serve pulled pork sandwiches with coleslaw. Kathy suggested the members wear identifying t-shirts. Don said he had some Town of Warren shirts he would make available.

Don reviewed upcoming trips and programs. Dave asked if the adult basketball program could be reinstated. Don said he will work on that. Don also mentioned that there is a group of local women who have started a walking group. He has worked with them to make the Community Center available on bad weather days. Dave suggested a snowshoeing program, perhaps on January 15 or 29th. Don will see how many are interested. Dave also mentioned he could lead a cross country ski program in the same time frame. Don said he will put out a flyer.

The Commission members discussed the state of the beach road. Don said the town does not plow the road in the winter, and it is in terrible condition. Dave noted that the grills need to be replaced. The last time they were purchased the town partnered with Morris and split the freight costs. Don will follow up on that.

Don noted progress he has made toward getting a new tree planted in time for lighting at the Holiday on the Hill celebration. The power line is in and with the help of incoming First Selectman Greg LaCava the town has acquired a 16- or 17- foot tree for \$800. It will be placed on the hillside below the Community Center. The committee members extended their thanks to Mr. LaCava for his assistance.

On motion by Kirby Mullen, seconded by Dave, the Commission voted to adjourn at 7:38 p.m.