

## Parks and Recreation Committee Meeting 2/1/24

### New Business:

The meeting was called to order at 5 pm at Town Hall with the following in attendance:

Bonnie Sparks, Bud Means, Gary Edwards, Misty Gleason, Yvette Thomas and Deana Workman.

Deana Workman was introduced to the committee. She has been requested by Bud Means to be the Sullivan Daze Committee Chairperson.

1. A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes from the 1/4/24 meeting.
2. Revisit the mission of the Parks and Recreation Committee meeting: Velma Thomas had requested the committee revisit our mission but was unable to attend tonight, so it was tabled for the next meeting.
3. The Parks and Recreation Committee webpage development is a work in progress according to Ray Weinstraub.

### Old Business:

1. Summer Camp: Bonnie Sparks shared the partnership between Parks and Recreation Committee and Taunton Bay Education Center to provide a summer camp to local children between the ages of 6-11 years old. The curriculum is being developed and provided by CCAR at a cost of \$1,775.00. The participation fee will be \$50 for permanent residents of Sullivan and \$75 for non-residents or summer residents. Our committee will be requesting a budget of \$600 from the town to offer the stipend /discount for Sullivan residents. The camp will be provided at the Taunton Bay Education Center.

The camps will be offered two times this summer for three days each on July 23, 24, 25 (Tuesday-Thursday) and August 6,7,8 (Tuesday-Thursday).

The committee made a motion that was approved to request the \$600.00 for Sullivan resident camp discounts.

A motion was made and approved for Parks and Rec to partner with Taunton Bay Education Center to offer the camp where Sullivan Residents will pay \$50 and non-Residents pay \$75.

Another motion was made and approved to cover the total \$1775 by requesting a stipend to be approved by budget committee of \$600 for Sullivan

2. There was discussion between Gary Edwards (budget committee), Bud Means (Selectman) and Bonnie Sparks (Chairperson) regarding the process by which budget requests and approvals are made and completed from request to approval.
3. Online Survey: There have been 15 helpful surveys completed on the website. Bonnie has determined the process needed to evaluate the results. There was discussion about additional methods to reach more residents with the survey including Crier, Facebook, etc. Results will continue to be received through February.  
Action: Yvette will work on paper surveys to be distributed via Crier that include photos.
4. Sullivan Daze Progress:  
Music: Bud Means has secured Whiskey Bent (4 hrs) and Midnight Rose (4 hrs) for the event on Saturday. There will be a 1 hr intermission for set up.

Recreation Center Events: The board of the Sorrento/Sullivan Rec Center will address how the center will be utilized the day of the event. The car show, Cooling Center 9am-2pm, and information events in the event room are opportunities for this venue.

Sumner HS Breakfast: Sumner HS principal was open to consider at breakfast and will reach out to class and booster clubs for interest. Breakfast would be offered 7 am -10 am prior to the parade on Saturday.

Gordan's Wharf Events: Boat rides with a hist recommends reaching out to ice cream or seafood food options to be provided there.

Michelle Shores: Michelle has just finished her book about the Blaisdell family and hopes editing will be complete and published by the time of the event. She will be making a presentation at the Gordan's Wharf the event or

5. Bonnie shared interest of the Scenic Byway Committee to share with us plans for Sullivan Park developments. They have shared a Bike Hub and Gazebo is in planning and a Sullivan Village connection between the Rec Center and Gordan's

The meeting was adjourned at 6 pm.