

Johnson Recreation

Johnson Recreation Committee Meeting Minutes

Thursday, October 17, 2019
6 p.m. Johnson Public Library

6:01 Meeting called to order.

Attendees: Lisa Crews, Kyle Senesac, Walter Pomroy, Kim Goodell, Katie Orost, Allan Audette, Jenn Yuris, Valerie Valcour,

- Elect positions for committee;
Lisa explained the positions available, Chair, Treasurer, and Secretary. We agreed to vote on these positions at the next meeting, Thursday, November 21, 2019.
- Walter P: Talc Trail Update (5 minutes)
Walter has met with Trustees, Selectboard, Historical Society and Conservation Committee. He will continue his work to make a plan for building multi-use trails on the "Old Talc Mill land."
- Basketball (5 minutes)
 - Point Person from Rec.Lisa let everyone know that Basketball registration is open. We have coaches for most teams. We need either a pre-k/K coach or a ½ coach and could use some assistant coaches. If anyone knows of someone who wants to coach Lisa told them to have the interested person email: tojrecreation@townofjohnson.com
- Skiing – need more chaperones (5 minutes)
Lisa gave ski and ride update: Program will be 6 Sunday's at Stowe Mountain. Reduced rental rates have been negotiated with PowerPlay and Pinnacle. The Ski registration will open as soon as SportsEngine updates the page. Likely 10-22 or 10-23. Registration will be available on johnsonrecreationvt.com
- Ice Rink: update (1 minute)
We are waiting to hear from the Vermont Governor's Council Grant team. We need a liner to improve the rink and the grant was written in hopes of off-setting the costs
- Grants:
Lisa gave update on the current grants that are being written for Rec. Thursday, November 21 at 5 p.m. we will be meeting to review the grants that are due in

December. If anyone in community likes to write grants they are welcome to come to the work session.

- NVU –Hold until Nov. Meeting (Nov. meeting date _____)
Committee agreed to suspend discussion until November
- Bike Rack Update – Kyle S (2-5 minutes)

Kyle showed two options for bike racks. Committee likes the rack that holds 7 bikes. It will be about \$450 per rack. Racks have been recommended for Legion Field and the Trail Head at Old Mill Park. Committee will revisit when we discuss the budget.

6:30 Jess Bickford arrived

- Nov. 3rd 5K – (15 minutes)Lisa gave 5K update:
 - Registration _____Volunteers needed _____
 - Trail Marking____Lisa and Jasmine_____
 - Hot Coco__Lisa_____
 - Timing_____Volunteer needed_____
 - Race Official_____Volunteer Needed_____

Kim, Jenn, Kyle and Lisa will be at race early to help set-up. Kyle recommended adding a kid's race by using just the park loop. Committee agreed to this idea. Allen suggested that we have giveaways. Lisa will contact Nat for donations from Concept 2. Valerie and Jess said they had some leftover Frisbees that we can use.

- Bullying: Coach code/JES/ (5-10 minutes)
Committee discussed adopting a bullying code. We looked at examples from JES and our current forms and policies. It was agreed to look at and adopt some of the policy language used in the Lamoille Middle Schools Athletic Code Agreement.

- Budget: Clinics & Continuing Education(5-10 minutes)
Skipped due to lack of time

- 6:45 p.m. Jess Bickford – Healthy Lamoille Valley – Smoke Free parks and signage (no more than 25 minutes)

Lisa introduced Jess Bickford from Healthy Lamoille Valley. We reviewed some of the notes from the Rec. Committee Meeting dated 5-2-108. The Rec. Committee discussed making recommendations for having A Healthy Community Policy. We also discussed some of the signs and policies adopted by the other towns along the Route 15 corridor and NVU. It was agreed that we would like to signs mocked up recommending the parks and fields become tobacco, smoke and vape free. Jess will work on the signs. Lisa will reach out to Casey Romero from the SkatePark to discuss having uniformity in our sign designs. Also discussed was the appropriate use of alcohol at Youth sporting events. This topic will be covered in the Athletic Code Agreement.

Rec. Committee members will volunteer to sell the new Johnson shirts and hats at the Masonic Market during Jubilee on Dec. 6 from 5-6:30.

Meeting adjourned at 7:10.