

Town Of River Bend
Parks and Recreation Advisory Board

Minutes September 6, 2023

Present: Laurie LaMotte, Krysten Howard, Kathy Noonan

Absent: Richard LaMotte, Amy Hendee

Visitors: Barbara Maurer, Janet Nawojski, Steve Bokor, Beth Stokes, Mike Repenning, Jess Repenning

Called to Order at 7:00 PM by Laurie LaMotte

Laurie LaMotte motioned to approve the agenda, seconded by Kathy Noonan and approved unanimously.

Laurie LaMotte motioned to approve the minutes from the August 2, 2023 meeting. Motion seconded by Krysten Howard and approved unanimously.

Community Yard Sale discussion. The soccer field and parking lot by the basketball court will be made available to residence of River Bend who are unable to have a sale in their yard. The Garden Club will be doing the Bake Sale from 7-12 in the Community Building. It is reserved for them. Banners were donated advertising the sale and will be placed at the entrance to River Bend.

National Night out discussion. We will have a booth with Sno-Cones. We will try to get some of the history together of the Rhems Fire Department to share with the community.

Fall Fest – October 21, 2023 from 2 to 6 A motion was made by Laurie LaMotte to name the Event Pumpkin Palooza seconded by Krysten Howard and passed unanimously. Krysten will be point on vendors. Kathy will be point on music. Amy will be point on rock and pumpkin painting.

Ax Throwing- Laurie LaMotte motioned to book this for 165.00 for the first hour and after the first hour the customer must pay. This was seconded by Kathy Noonan and passed unanimously.

Face Painting – Laurie LaMotte motioned to book this on a pay per face scale. Seconded by Krysten Howard and passed unanimously.

We will have a costume contest for kids and have “Trick or Treat” tables set up by those who wish to participate along the walking track with a “Track or Treat” theme and prizes for the best table. We will have apples on a stick and several games for kids, pumpkin ring toss, spoon race, three legged race, egg toss.

Friendsgiving on November 18, 2023. The Community Center is reserved. There was much discussion about this event. We will determine what time to start and what other activities we would like to have at our next meeting.

December 1, 2023 will be the Tree Lighting. We will check with Jeff on the status of a real tree.

The Park Survey is complete and we would like to get it out with the next water bill. We will also have it at Nation Night Out for people to complete.

Krysten will reach out to Flythe for the bike rack.

We will set a time to move Parks and Rec supplies to the old CERT storage unit.

Public comments were allowed. One person was upset about Friendsgiving and felt that we were taking away from a dinner that has been done on Thanksgiving Day for many years.

Motion made by Laurie LaMotte to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 and seconded by Krysten Howard and was passed unanimously.

Submitted By


Kathy Noonan