

Village of New Haven
Parks & Recreation Committee
Tuesday, April 21, 2020

I. Call to Order/Roll Call

I call the NH PR meeting to order at 7:05 pm (must have 4 for quorum)

Member conduct roll call conducted by: Mark Hasiak

Present: Fatima Dilbert, Mark Hasiak, Kristen Store & Tara Walsh

II. Public Comments on Agenda Items

I call to open the floor for public comments or concerns on agenda items

Comments:N/A

III. Approval of Agenda

I move that the committee approve the April 21, 2020 Meeting Agenda

Who will second: Fatima D

Vote: All in favor 4/4, those opposed 0/0, motion: carried

IV. Approval of Meeting Minutes for February 18, 2020 (No March Mtg, insufficient quorum)

I move that the committee approve the February 18, 2020 meeting minutes

Who will second: Mark H.

Vote: All in favor 4/4, those opposed 0/0, motion: carried

V. Treasurers Report:

As of April 1st, New Haven Parks and Recreation has started a new budget year. Our fiscal year runs April to March. So with that being said we have \$20k to organize and make the most out of for our residents!

Sandy is currently working on an activity report for last fiscal year's activity but has to be in the office to see credit card purchases, so all of that information will be presented at our May meeting.

VI. Unfinished Business

a.) Event Updates:

- **Easter Egg Hunt:** altered to accommodate safe distancing. Additional eggs were purchased to ensure each child signed up would receive 10 eggs from the "EasterBunny". That order was never successfully delivered due to conflicting drop off times so Sandy is currently working on that refund with the company. On March 25th it was known that stricter guidelines were necessary for the safety of the community. Committee members agreed the safety and well being of everyone involved had to come first and so "Easter Eggstravaganza" was

cancelled. Eggs left over can and will be used for future events. Event will resume as normal next April 2021.

- **Jr Hoops:** Cancelled due to Covid 19. The bus company hasn't returned Sandy's calls as of yet, but she is working diligently to get our payment back.
- **Jimmy Johns Kids Day Wednesday, June 24** - additional date to be added pending pandemic relief. Updates will be provided as P&R receives them, unfortunately no news as of yet.
- **Movies in the Park:** Dates confirmed - 6/3/2020, 7/1/2020, 8/5/2020. So far no deposits have been requested but dates **are confirmed** and pending Covid-19 restrictions/guidelines. President Dilbert "supports" **deposits for July and August only.**
- **River Days:** Pending Covid-19 restrictions/guidelines is scheduled for **June 13th**, Chairperson is still needed as well as volunteers. Waste Management needs to be contacted for donations. Tara W was directed by President Dilbert to follow up with Genevieve R. to confirm details. Also the areas chosen for clean up, if able to participate, will be the North East Corner of New Haven Rd and Gratiot (Village sign area), Clark St (Admin Bldg) and the Little League fields behind Clark St.

Motion: Presented by Tara Walsh - That the committee approves \$200.00 for purchase of items needed for River Days clean up project.

Who will second: Mark H

Roll Call Vote: All In Favor - Fatima Dilbert, Mark Hasiak, Kristen Store, Tara Walsh. **Those opposed: n/a Motion: Carried**

- **Advertisements/Communications Update:** Council update from Trustee Hasiak - EDDM/Revise. Best available options led Mark to 2 mail houses (Lake Orion, St. Clair Shores) for EDDM services. For approximately .18 cents per mailer EDDM will send out flyers to all 2,778 participating addresses in the 48048 zip code. New Haven Parks and Recreation must provide all the necessary designs as well as printing capabilities. Community resident Robert W. offered his design capabilities, as well as a possible vendor for printing. Robert W. and Mark H. will collaborate together and update the committee in May regarding mailer design as well as vendor quotes obtained for printing.
- Tara Walsh - Zoom mtg proposal. **Motion (NOT VALID):** That the committee approve for **Mark Hasiak** to request to split the month to month cost between New Haven Council, as well as other village entities, for the monthly purchase of Zoom virtual meeting "Business" access. (Allowing up to 10 hosts and 300 meeting participants for meetings not lasting longer than 24hrs.)

Who will second: 0 committee response (Only community members supported)

Roll Call Vote: All In Favor - Fatima Dilbert, Mark Hasiak, and Tara Walsh. **(Not valid)- committee must all be present, Kristen was disconnected)**

All In favor: 3 Those opposed: 0. Motion: Tabled until May

VII. New Business

a.) **New Committee member introduction:** Kristen Store

b.) **Slow Roll:** Chair person needed as well as volunteers. For improved attendance the committee discussed combining Slow Roll events with Movies in the park dates.

Committee agreed with the 6/3/2020, 7/1/2020, 8/5/2020 dates:

Motion: That the committee approve the monthly event budget of \$200.00 for supplies, raffles, prizes etc.

Who will second: Fatima D.

Roll Call Vote: Mark Hasiak, Kristen Store, Tara Walsh

In favor 4, those opposed 0. Motion: Carried

c.) **Lights and Sirens** event requested by resident **Kevin M.** Via the Michigan State Police Dept. The committee absolutely wants to use these services as soon as government restrictions are lifted.

d.) **Memorial Day Cook Out** event requested by **Nick S.** Due to Covid -19 restrictions this year we will not be able to support but we will revisit the idea for future events as dates open up.

e.) **Census 2020 contest ideas:** Committee discussed possible 1st- 5th place winners (Prize amounts pending) vs. purchasing gift cards for every resident that provides proof of completion.

Motion: Presented by Tara Walsh - That the committee approves \$1,000.00 for the purchase of 1- \$500, 2 - \$150 and 2-\$100 gift cards for the randomly picked winners of the 2020 Census Completion Contest. **Who will second:** Fatima D

Roll Call Vote: All In Favor - Kristen Store, Tara Walsh. **Those opposed:** Mark H. **Motion:** Carried

f.) **Recruiting Parks and Rec Committee Members:** Discussed what we as a committee can do to recruit new members as well as pointed out what is actually needed from committee members.

g.) **Cooking Class at Endeavor:** Meeting with Dr. Shepard wasn't scheduled due to Covid-19. P&R will follow up as restrictions are lifted.

VIII. **Call from the floor:** Resident **Maria S.** requested help for the New Haven Little League (**NHLL**). *Little League International* has suspended NHLL activities until May 11th, 2020. (pending pandemic restrictions) NHLL may require help with advertising the opening of their events, as well as clean up of downed trees, weeds, etc. along Clark St. if and when restrictions are lifted. After discussion it was determined regardless of when the

clean up is held or when the season begins Parks and Recreation will work together with NHLL to support their needs as much as possible. The possibility of combining with the River Days project was also brought up and everyone agreed Clark St and the Little League fields should be added to areas of interest.

Resident **Nick S** requested time during the May meeting for a presentation he'd like to share on *Alexa Skills* and how they can better communicate with our community. This item will be added to the May 2020 agenda

Chair **Tara W.** shared the idea of opening up a dog park in New Haven. It was asked that the committee investigate and consider possibilities for discussion at the May 2020 meeting.

IX. Call from the table: N/A

X. Adjournment: Motion: **Who will second:** Mark H.

Roll Call Vote: Fatima D, Kristen Store, Tara Walsh

In favor 4, those opposed 0. Motion: Carried - Meeting adjourned 8:17pm