## Town Of Harwinton

# Recreation Commission – Special Meeting

Monday February 27, 2023

6:30PM

Harwinton Town Hall

#### Agenda

- Open Meeting
  - o Call to Order 6:26
  - Attendance: Wayne Delmonte, Michael Flowers, Michael Zaba, Bruce Wilcox, John Goodno, Patricia Hine, Kerri Stolle
- Approve minutes from November 14<sup>th</sup> Meeting
  - - Motion to Accept Minutes by Delmonte
  - Second Wilcox
- Introduction of New Assistant to the Parks & Recreation Director
  - Patricia Hine
- Discuss Senior Center Programming
  - Exercise twice A month has been added back in, hoping to add in Chair yoga so we have exercise each week
  - o Shopping Once a month, Off-site luncheons once a month
  - Our goal is to get more seniors to drop in and do activities throughout the day instead of just after lunch.
- Senior Center Rental
  - o We will begin renting out the Senior Center to the public April 1st
- Grant Applications
  - Conservation Area
    - We are looking to add lighting, get rid of hazard trees, and add trail signage with the grant
    - Is there an ordinance that would need be changed if we add lights? It is currently open until dusk.
    - Years ago there were questions about the roof at the pavilion, has that been updated?
  - WCAAA Grant
    - We hope to increase what we get from this grant if we can show how much it truly costs to run the Senior Center.
  - There are more grants to apply for this year. The information will be released in the next few months.
    - Potential projects also include lighting and the Senior Center.
  - Look into Energy Assistance Grants for Senior Center insulation

- Make the Senior Center more energy efficient
- o TSB has given for the Recreation Area, we may be able to apply again for this in the next round
- Northwest Community Bank check in for grant opportunities
- Spring Fields and Facilities Use Requests
  - o Burlington Soccer and BYLA have requested so much use that it was difficult to give them everything they were asking for.
    - Burlington Director and Kerri worked together to devise a schedule for all the fields in the two towns.
  - o Burlington Field Use Baseball/T-Ball is coming
    - They will be working with Dave to work on the clay to make sure it is playable.
    - Scott (New President in Burlington) will be contacting Kerri about field usage.

### • Summer Programming

- o Cirqueopsia June 3rd
- Summer Kickoff Kickball & Movie
- Adam Galdano Sound for the concerts (Bruce Wilcox will get him in contact with us).
- o Thursdays Concerts at the Gazebo. Every other week July-August
- Camp Full Day Think about offering a half-day option parents may take advantage of this

#### Budget Submission

- We are awaiting our new budget submission which did have to increase from last year.
- Kerri hopes that we will be able to change how the budget works in order to match Burlington and Litchfield because it should allow for more programming and community events.
- Flowers says he is in support of the change and would be willing to speak with the board of finance.
- Adjourn Motion to adjourn by Flowers, Second by Wilcox.