

# **West Stockbridge Parks & Recreation Committee**

**Minutes for Meeting on:**

**9/13/2023 - 5:00PM**

**21 State Line Road, West Stockbridge, MA**

Attendance: Caitlin Graham (CG), Joe Roy (JR), JP Boscarino (JP) <zoom>, Helen Noaln (HN), Lisa Parker

- 5PM Meeting in session.
- CG made a motion to approve previous meeting's minutes. AD seconded. All approved.
- Lisa Parker came in and talked about a meeting she had with Randy Thunfors. Randy mentioned that he thinks that CPA funds could be used for pavilions around town. Specifically Card Pond and Moscow Road property. AD mentioned that P&R has wanted a pavilion at Town Hall as well.
  - JR brought up that he talked with Randy Thunfors as well and also informed Lisa that JP Boscarino is also on the board with Randy.
  - There was some question as to what CPA funds can be used for. JR will reach out to Marie Ryan to get clarification on the matter.
  - Lisa also brought up Christmas lights and decorations for this holiday season. P&R would like to work with the Beautification Committee to combine efforts for the holiday season decorating. She will be meeting with people from Barb Zanetti from the Stockbridge Chamber to see who they hire to do the lighting in their town and possibly we could do the same.
  - Lisa also mentioned she talked with the downtown merchants who would like to be a part of Halloween and Christmas.
- Group went over Zucchini Festival and how it went. Ideas for next year:
  - No dunking booth for next year
  - Make sure P&R gets properly recognised rather than individuals.
- JR to email Curt Wilton in regards to progress of skate park repair. Check on clean up.
- JR mentioned that he looked into sourcing weed mats for Card Pond. This was an idea that was brought up by JP some time ago. There is a product called Weedmat Pro or Muckmat Pro. Joe talked with the owner of the company and could get a discount for the town. 12x24 muckmat is \$529.
- Group went over ideas for Halloween.
  - Trick or Treat is 4-6pm
  - Marchant tables?
  - Pumpkin decorating contest?
  - Costume contest
  - Check with Bob Solerno and other downtown merchants to see how they would like to participate.
  - Joe look into indoor activity thing NOT A BOUNCY HOUSE
  - Goodie bags
  - Water bottles
  - Final plans TBD at next meeting.
- AD brought up concerns about actions being made on behalf of the board without the full board's approval. HN voiced that she had similar concerns. The group talked through the issue at length and came to a peaceful resolution.
- CG brought up neighborhood scare crows which was an idea that AD brought up last year. CG will talk with Sarah Thorne about P&R sponsoring an event at one of the upcoming Farmer's Markets.
- JR mentioned that he was approached by Bob Solerno saying that he would like to coordinate with P&R regarding downtown merchants and Halloween and Sparkles celebrations.
- Next meeting 9-27

- 6:15PM Adjourn.

Respectfully submitted by,

Joseph P Roy

West Stockbridge Parks and Recreation Clerk

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Joseph P. Roy".