Griswold Recreation Commission
9/18/17 5:36pm - 6:33pm
Youth Center Community Room
68 Ashland St, Jewett City, CT 06351

Members in Attendance: Carol Mauro-chairperson
Darren Drobiak – Vice Chairperson
Ryan Aubin – Director
Al Geer, Kristin Goodwin, Ricky Bevis, Tina Luft, Jay Ranier
Sonja Fisch – Recording Secretary

Absent Members: Mike Morton
Other notable attendees: Paul Lach
Luis D’Amico
Melinda Bryan, Voluntown Youth Services Bureau

NOTES

Motion to approve minutes from 7/17/17 meeting minutes as presented made by – Carol Mauro
Second to approve 7/17/17 meeting minutes as presented made by – Kristin Goodwin
All in favor.

Old Business

Biker Night:

• Lessons-learned: move the stage (R.Aubin)
• 375 bikes attended, not including “sneak-ins” (RA)
• $670 raised, $0 budget expended by Parks & Rec, JCFD donated (RA)
• Confusion on where bike parking goes, need more signs (Luis D’Amico)
• Bike entry was bottlenecking, suggest collect fee and give flyer upon parking (LD)
• Suggest meet 1 month prior to the event with Todd, Young Marines, Luis and Ryan to improve communication (LD)
• Alleyways need to remain open enough for fire truck or ambulances (LD)
• Some alcohol violations (A.Geer)
• Need detour signs to direct people out of the event (AG)

Sunflower Stroll

• Traffic, church and mail service is no issue on a Sunday, which is good (RA)
• Vendors will park off the main road, opening the main street. (RA)
• Need sign due to cars sneaking into bank, once road is blocked (LD)
Sunflower 6K (per Jay Ranier)
• 566 registrants
• Will likely happen again with the Buttons’ help, prior to end of July, so it always runs one week after the Buttonwoods fundraiser

Carnival
• Discussed moving the location
• Proposed to have carnival run the same time as Sunflower Festival

New Business
Spooktopia
• Melinda Bryan states Voluntown is setting up a Trunk or Treat on Halloween, approx. 100 attendees, 25 vendors, 2017 will be their 3rd year
• Sound Soul Review will entertain as a 2-hr headline act (RA)
• Committee for “spooky tent” is Darren, Jay, Sonja, Ricky and Paul
• Any earnings go to the PTO playground for mulching, etc.
• Mulching, about 10 yds, will cost $3K - $4K
• Ricky has 30 trunkers and 13 total vendors so far
• FD giving hot cocoa
• Vendor set-up is now 2pm (breakdown at 9pm)

Motion to adjourn meeting made by – Carol Mauro
Second to adjourn meeting made by – Ricky Bevis
All in favor.