

Present: Commissioners Kristina Carr, Lisa Jerkowski, Frank Klepeis, Reta Sorge; Recreation Clerk Dorene Whitaker; Town Board Liaison Ashley Sweeney.

Excused: Commissioners Claudia Joseph, Kieran Liggan-Casey]

Absent: Commissioner Dave Hattenbrun

The meeting was called to order at 7:18 pm.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

1. **Approval of July 17, 2024 minutes:** Clarification was suggested in the wording of the item regarding Plastics Proclamation. L. Jerkowski moved that the sentence “Municipalities throughout the State have been asked to *consider making* a proclamation of support” be amended to “*to make* a proclamation of support”, and to delete the phrase “No decision was made” with the minutes otherwise approved. Seconded by R. Sorge. All in favor.

2. **Pickleball:** The net has been stored in the concession stand, but now that pool hours are reduced and the season will soon end, access is becoming a problem. A storage container has been purchased which will be chained to the outside of the court fencing, and the combination for the lock will be available at the Rec Office.

3. **Recreation calendar of events:** D. Whitaker provided the commissioners with a calendar of scheduled events. After review, there were no comments.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. **Proposals for QiGong class:** Two proposals has been received offering a series of QiGong classes. R. Sorge moved to approve the proposal of Jesse Towey, an experienced local resident who offered to teach a series this fall on a volunteer basis and, if enough community interest is generated, to hopefully continue on a paid basis next year. Seconded by L. Jerkowski. All in favor.

2. **Programming:** K. Carr reported that scheduled community events at the Community Center for the fall are weekly Song Club, Game Night October 18, a concert benefitting the Community Center landscaping fund on November 29, a QiGong series (approved at this meeting), and continued weekly Zumba and Yoga classes.

A proposal for a 5 part drawing class with artist Wayne Montecalvo was reviewed. K. Carr moved that this be approved, pending funding approval by the Supervisor and Town Board. Seconded by R. Sorge. All in favor.

A proposal for a 2 part cooking class in holiday baking taught by Pat Thompson was reviewed. K. Carr moved that this be approved, pending funding approval from the Supervisor and the Town Board. Seconded by L. Jerkowski. All in favor.

We await funding approval for resumption of Line Dancing class with Goldie Goldberg.

3. **Pool Update:** A. Kraus, Pool Manager, was unable to attend this meeting but submitted an extensive summary of the 2024 season which was reviewed. Our pool offers 9 community programs, more than any other area pool. 124 children learned to swim. Despite the challenges of the closure of the Ulster County Pool, safety and community support remained high. D. Whitaker shared a financial summary (as of August 13) , which indicates that the pool income has exceeded expenses by \$15,000.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 pm. The next meeting will be September 18 at 7:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Kristina Carr, Chair

