

Recreation Meeting Minutes

December 8, 2021

PRESENT: Jess Odell, Lauren Osterman, Teddy Secor, Wendy Burton (Town Supervisor)

ABSENT: Mike Denatale, Richard Bell

Meeting begins at 6:09 PM

Haunted Fortress

Wendy began discussion on creating a Haunted Fortress Committee that would be its own group apart from the Recreation Commission. Lauren suggested chairs for each department of the production, for set design, costumes, volunteer scheduler, sound and production. Wendy mentioned that trail cameras have been placed around the Fortress in an effort to deter or capture the vandals that have been spray painting, breaking sets, and setting off fire extinguishers. She also reported that Frank Pepe has been overseeing the physical plant, but Wendy would like to see the Town Board create a paid position to maintain the Fortress, a stipend. Lauren had mentioned that it would be good to have a member of the Commission serve on the Haunted Fortress committee, Wendy suggested Teddy. It was further discussed among the Commission that now that Antonio Igentio has resigned from the Commission, there are little knowledge among the members about the functioning of the Fortress, apart from Mike. Teddy suggested creating a manual for future reference. It would contain everything needed to run the Fortress.

Recreation Commission Membership

Teddy suggested that a policy be put in place for attendance to participate on the Recreation Commission. It had been mentioned too that a handbook for the Commission should be put together as well and will be part of the January agenda. Wendy said that the Town Board will vote to increase the number of Commission members from 5 to 7. Chris McNamara may be appointed to the Rec Commission for January, both Jess and Teddy agreed it would be best to add more members to the Commission as soon as possible. Nathan Lavertue will serve as the Rec Commission's new liaison.

Capital Improvement Project

Lauren did a walkthrough with some of the members of the CIP. There was expressed interest in making the bathrooms available year round, but with the bathrooms being unheated, freezing pipes cannot be avoided. There was discussion about having a second port a potty available throughout the year, and if there is enough foot traffic to warrant the expense.

Lauren mentioned that the Stanford Library ran a notice for starting a volunteer database and the list would allow the library to email people to ask if they would like to volunteer for various events, but there was no pressure to volunteer year round. Lauren and other members of the Commission agreed that could be a good angle for us to take too and create a volunteer database.

2022 Events

Lauren and the Commission are hoping to host several new events this year geared towards younger

adults or parents of younger children. A Murder Mystery event for February is on the agenda for January along with a kids craft night for Valentine's Day.

The meeting adjourns at 7:00 PM