

**TOWN OF SEVEN DEVILS  
Parks and Recreation Committee  
Minutes- Regular Session  
January 12, 2023**

The Town of Seven Devils Parks and Recreation Committee met at 9:00 AM in Town Hall on January 12, 2023.

Town Manager Johnathan Harris called the meeting to order. Members present were: Kay Lambert, Rebecca Ryan, Faye Brock, Ed Beck, Bob Bridges, Marino Fernandez, and Mark Williams. Joseph Alfonso and Freddie Jo Blonshine were absent. Parks and Recreation Program Tech Jewel McKinney, Mayor Larry Fontaine, and Anne Fontaine also attended.

A motion was made, seconded, and approved to appoint Bob Bridges as Committee Chairman for the 2023 calendar year. Chairman Bridges welcomed new members Rebecca Ryan and Joe Alfonso. Freddie Blonshine was appointed Recording Secretary.

Faye Brock made a motion to approve the agenda and Kay Lambert seconded it.

Marino Fernandez made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 13, 2022 meeting and Ed Beck seconded this motion.

**OLD BUSINESS**

- A. **The Park at Seven Devils** -The Advisory Group will meet today to prioritize the funding of amenities before the grant deadline of May 1, 2023
- B. **Lite the Nite 2022** -approximately 78 attendees
- C. **Basketball backboard** - has been purchased, waiting for installation
- D. **Food Drive**- successful collection, will continue to promote for 2023
- E. Promotion of Tynecastle Blood Drive - the date will be confirmed, and normal Seven Devils activities promotion methods will be implemented.
- F. Memorial Garden - clean-up efforts will be a 2023 action item for The Park at Seven Devils

**NEW BUSINESS**

- A. **Arbor Day**- will be Friday April 28, 2023
- B. **Summer 2023**
  - 1. Music on the Lawn – There will be 5 concerts, every 2 weeks, starting in June.
  - 2. Bear Decorating Contest - the committee added some more ideas to the list of possible themes, and will decide on the theme for 2023 by April
  - 3. Yard of the Month - citizens will be able to nominate other yards, as well as enter their own.

4. Farmer's Market- the committee will continue to discuss the best time and day of the week to hold it. It will be held later than 2022 to accommodate vendors.
5. Dog Costume Contest- Jewel reported 2022 was very successful, with 20 entries. She suggested tying it in with the Farmer's Market for 2023.
6. Town Walking Trail arrows-It was noted that the trail arrows need to be repainted. It was suggested that the painted markers be made more visually interesting, and the ideas for different animal footprints was suggested, with the trail names to reflect the chosen footprint for that section.
7. Independence Day Celebration- 120 attendees in 2022. Jewel suggested we continue with BBQ and giveaways, and suggested the date of June 30th to tie in with a summer concert.
8. Ranger Workshops- will continue, with some new Rangers this year. It was suggested to give attending children a small giveaway, such as a patch, keychain, or water bottle.
9. Group Hikes- there will be 4. Specific trail selections in process of finalization.
10. Group Walks- there will be 3. The committee will continue to come up with ways to promote them, as well a look for potential new places for participants to park cars.
11. Summer Book Club- good turnout, will continue forward. Dates have been set and books chosen.
12. Pickleball- good turnout for both tournaments and clinics, will continue to look at parking issues.
13. Moonlight Canoe Trip- tentative date of June 2.
14. Art Classes- Be Creative art journaling will continue, probably Tuesday mornings. 2 session Ceramics class with dates TBD.
15. Yoga- will continue
16. Exercise for Mature Ladies- will continue every Monday, Wednesday, & Friday 9am-10am
17. CPR Lunch and Learn- two classes considered to be offered. One for first time participants, and one for recertification.
18. New Ideas-
  - a. Charcuterie class, date TBD
  - b. Potential sledding area in The Park to be tested and reported on at the next meeting following adequate snowfall.

#### **C. Bob Bridges Comment**

Bob announced that Jewel McKinney has earned the CPRP certification, evidencing her continuing professional recreation education. Congratulations were offered by the Committee.

#### **CITIZEN COMMENTS**

Larry Fontaine noted the trash on the side of the roads within the town limits of Seven Devils. Ed Beck agreed to investigate citizen volunteers to help with roadside trash issues.

#### **MEMBER COMMENTS**

Marino Fernandez suggested the committee meet in February. All members present agreed.

Kay Lambert made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Faye Brock seconded this motion.  
Meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by Rebecca Ryan  
Parks and Recreation Committee Member