**Parks and Recreation – October 17, 2018**

Meeting started at 4:36 pm Attending: Mark, Susan, Chelle

**Minutes from September are still in note form – will address in January**

**Comments from public**

**None**

**New & Old Business**

* **Statistics –** horse shoe tournament occurred and the participants volunteered to assist with next year’s event
  + 10 for the tournament
  + Several vendors, Fire department barbecue, Flea market, 30 plus people roaming
  + Fire department had a large yard sale
  + Library did well with yard and book sale
  + Bus tour – about 10 participants – lots of positive feedback regarding bus driver. Plan to send a letter of appreciation to the driver and the bus company (they provided vehicle gratis)

**Recommendations:** may shift library sales to Hoisington Field next year; need two more horseshoe pits; Create brochure with date, events, sales, etc. for next year. Tyler from transfer station may be a good contact to advertise and get assistance for next year. Discussion of holding the event earlier in the month.

* Mark will get fiscal reports on each event
* **Trunk or Treat – October 27th** 
  + Chelle will park her trailer at Hoisington Field for the event
  + Getting a banner made identifying vehicle for Parks and Rec committee
  + Vendors lined up – Historical society, Friends of the Library,
* Winter concert – in process
* Parks and Rec equipment – all snow shoes are at the library. To be catalogued middle of next month. Mark has started an application for a grant for funds from Rise Vermont to purchase poles and more shoes.
* **Working to develop a Town Events Calendar**
  + pushing info on Facebook and Twitter
  + Parks and Rec may end up with their own web pages on the town site
  + Promote the fishing derby via web communications
* **Fishing derby – Grald’s large pond**
  + Chelle talked with Nate McKeen about derby’s
    - High school fishing team; Person at Fish and Wildlife – “let’s go fishing program” Will provide info. We need a Fish and Wildlife permit. There is a charge if we open it to adults. Often the adults get the last chance at the fish.
    - High on the Hill trout farm provides fish and the Fish and Wildlife personnel
    - Liability insurance through the town
* **Town forest and trails**
* A possible trail on quarry road that is now a through road (sort of)
* Summit on November 9th in Richmond, Vermont
* Ascutney meeting – stakeholder summit - held 2 weeks ago – Mt Ascutney Regional Outdoor recreational plan – connects to the town forest.
* Access through Abbott’s land is likely to go through due to state land right of way

Meeting closed at 5:14 pm Respectfully submitted, Susan Boyer