

**Chili Parks and Recreation Committee**  
2020 Meeting Minutes  
September 15, 2020

**Present:** Mike Curley, Karen Trott, Mike Slattery, Jim Crelly, Jim McLean, Don Bigelow, Melissa Cunningham, Maggie Sheppard

**Absent:** Guy Puglia

Meeting called to order by Jim Crelly at 6:06 pm.

**Approval of Prior Month (Aug) minutes:** Motion Jim McLean, second Melissa Cunningham.

**Public Attendees Given Opportunity to Speak:** None

**Recreation Report:** (Furnished by Mike Curley)

Regarding Chil-E Fest 2021, the Town confirmed changing the date from July 4th and proposing a 1-2 day event. Date TBD. In order to increase Arts & Crafts vendors for Chil-E Fest, Mike C. obtained vendor lists from neighboring towns and has asked the committee members to obtain contact information. Don B to set up a Google document with spreadsheet for compiled vendor information. Mike C. will then generate letter inviting vendors to next year's Chil-E fest.

Taste of Chil-E Fest Fair Food Drive Thru is scheduled for Friday September 25 through Sunday September 27<sup>th</sup> from 12:00-9:00 pm. The event will take place at the Chili Senior Center Parking Lot. Santillo's is coordinating the event and a portion of the sales will go to the Town of Chili. Mike C. requested members to Like on Facebook and share information with friends and family.

The Soldier's Christmas Wish List 2020 Drive Thru Drop off is scheduled for Monday, September 28<sup>th</sup> from 1:30-3:00 pm and 4:30-6:30 pm at the Chili Senior Center back parking lot. A list of sample items to donate was provided to members and is listed on Chili Recreation's Facebook page. Committee members are invited to help out.

A Disc Golf Day and Park Clean-up is scheduled for Saturday, October 3 from 11:30 am - 2:30 pm at Widener Park. It is a free event and registration is required in advance.

The Recreation Department will hold a Halloween event during the day on Saturday, October 31 at Davis Park. Time TBD. Looking for committee members to volunteer.

Regarding our annual Christmas Tree Lighting and Parade of Lights Event, the Recreation Dept. has had to cancel the Tree Lighting, wagon rides and activities due to Covid-19. The focus will be on the Parade of Lights only. The date of the parade is TBD.

The Breakfast with Santa is tentatively scheduled to be held the day after the Parade of Lights. The Senior Center will not have a kitchen at that time. The Recreation Dept. is proposing catering the event in addition to setting up shifts to eat and visit with Santa due to Covid-19.

Regarding Veteran's Day, Wednesday, November 11<sup>th</sup>, the Recreation Dept is working on yard signs for Veteran's homes and setting up a parade on that day incorporating Law Enforcement vehicles, Town Fire Trucks, etc. Committee members are encouraged to join as well. The annual luncheon is not an option this year due to Covid-19.

Mike C is working on a survey regarding potential programs for the new Community Center for Seniors, Adults, Pre-school, etc. Survey will be provided in the near future.

**Parks Report:**

None

**Old Business:**

None

**New Business:**

None

Meeting adjourned at 7:16 pm. Motion **Maggie Sheppard**, second **Don Bigelow**.

**NEXT MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR: *Tuesday, October 20th at 6pm.***

Minutes submitted by,

***Karen Trott***

Secretary, Town of Chili Parks and Recreation Committee