

Chili Parks and Recreation Committee
2020 Meeting Minutes
November 17, 2020

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

Absent: None

Meeting called to order by Jim Crelly at 6:01 pm.

Approval of Prior Month (October) minutes: Motion Don Bigelow, second Jim McLean.

Public Attendees Given Opportunity to Speak: None

Recreation Report: (Furnished by Mike Curley)

The Halloween Event at Davis Park was a huge success. Record turnout with approximately 600 children in addition to parents. Estimate between 1,000 to 1,200 people in attendance. Thank you to committee members who helped out with the event.

The Veteran's Day Parade was an amazing success. The parade itself was just over 5 hours, honoring approximately 130 Veterans. Shout out to all those that volunteered. Committee members shared their thoughts and experiences regarding participating in the parade. Thank you to our NYS Troopers and Monroe County Sheriffs for their awesome job maintaining safety during the parade. Special thanks to Mike Slattery for his work. Expressed support for making the parade an annual tradition. Received some feedback regarding obtaining the Veterans lawn signs. Advertisement was done through Facebook and the Town's newsletter. Mentioned that the Chili Legion has a good database of our Town's Veterans. Mike Curley requested a reminder in future parades to have firetrucks launch sirens prior to Veteran's homes.

Due to new Covid 19 guidelines, the Town has cancelled the tree lighting and the traditional parade. Discussed having a drive thru parade for residents at the new Community Center, along with donation bins for the Pirate Toy Drive and canned goods. Requested volunteers for decorating stationary cars and/or tents with Christmas decorations. Also proposed a Living Nativity. Discussed proposal to have on a Saturday for ease of families attending the parade and to push out from the traditional 1st weekend of December. Mentioned that the Town tree will be lit for the drive thru parade. Mike Curley to advise decision regarding moving forward with the Christmas event.

The Breakfast with Santa has been cancelled due to the new Covid-19 guidelines.

Parks Report:

None

Old Business:

None

New Business:

None

Meeting adjourned at 6:51 pm. Motion **Maggie Sheppard**, second **Guy Puglia**.

NEXT MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR: *Tuesday, December 15th at 6pm.*

Minutes submitted by,

Karen Trott

Secretary, Town of Chili Parks and Recreation Committee