

**Village of Kinderhook  
Recreation Commission  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
October 10, 2023**

**VanBuren Hall**

- Present:** Amber Van Moessner, Chair, Cammy Salazar, Publicity Officer Peter Santamaria, Richard Byrne Dave Dellhunt, Mark Plakias, Shannon Eigenbrodt, Desiree Strong (alternate) and Dorene Weir - Village Trustee Liaison
- Absent:** None
- Call to order:** Chairperson VanMoessner called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm
- Minutes:** Mark Plakis moved to approve the regular meeting minutes seconded by Peter Santamaria all were in favor, no members opposed. The motion was approved.
- Correspondence:** Gail reached out via email to express concern with the Community Night. The event occurred in Rosh Hashanah.
- Trustee Liaison:** **Senior Advisory Panel-** The panel met last week and they would like to do several activities. The group will use funds from the Adult Recreation budget line item – A7620.4
- Rothermel Park-** Someone vandalized property and it has since been cleaned. Members recommended an increased police presence around the park.
- Old Business:** **Community Night-** residents noted that it was nice to have the beer tent close to the food trucks. Next year signage will be needed to keep people in the beer area. The Little League did well at the event. The variety worked out well. Power went out for both of the food vendors, Dorene will speak to DPW to see if we can have the box evaluated. It was noted by a community member who states they work at Stewarts that they will provide a volunteer to scoop ice cream. Next year we need more bags for cotton candy. We will look to have dedicated parking attendants. The Fire Department would be willing to assist with the parking next year. A designated parking area will be needed for handicap parking. We would like to get more stencils for the face painting. Pony rides were a hit, and the photo booth went well. The hayride was a hit. For 2024 Amber asked the commission members to consider 9/14/24 with 9/21/24 as a back up. No members expressed concern with this idea. We had approximately 350 people who attended the event. Two of the food trucks sold out.

**NYF Update:** The Recreation Commission project is in the top tier, there were comments about the fact that there is not enough adult equipment. Tomorrow there is a special meeting for the proposal at 6:30pm. Next steps the LPC presents their proposal to the state and the state will decide.

**New Business:** **Halloween Event** October 28, 2023 supplies and candy have been purchased. Doreen agreed to pick up the cider and donuts for the event. Tables and chairs will be dropped off by the DPW. (20 chairs and 6 tables) Need 3 people to work the games. 1 person for cider and donuts and candy. Four judges which are usually trustees/Mayor. Dave needs a helper on the stage. Sound system is needed, Marks for Mic and Amber will bring her sound system for the music. Tent (village tent) if it rains the team would like to hold the event in VanBuren Hall, Dorene will discuss at the Village Board meeting tomorrow night. 9:30am set up time. Amber will set up, Cammy set up, Richard is available for set up and the event. Desiree can help with set up and some of the events, Peter is available to assist with the event and Shannon is available to help. We need napkins and cups for the donuts and cider. Prizes \$200 spent; Candy \$390; \$80 prizes; \$30 for the bags; \$60 for the cider and donuts.

**2024 Calendar** will be moved to next month's agenda.

**Summer Program** Amber expressed interest in a full day summer program with an offer to nonresidents at an additional cost.

**Adjournment:** Chairperson Van Moessner made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:00pm seconded by Richard Byrne all were in favor, none opposed.

**Next meeting:** Nov 13, 2023

Minutes respectfully submitted by:

***Melanie Brodowski*** \_\_\_\_\_

Melanie Brodowski, Secretary to the Recreation Commission