



# TOWN OF AMENIA

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## **Amenia Recreation Commission Meeting – January 9th, 2024**

Town Hall: 6:30pm

In Attendance:

- Commission Members: Pete McCaffrey, DJ Reilly, Nicole Ahearn, Josh Simpson
- Rec Director: Katie Sterk-Grassi
- Town Board:
- Participants: Jonathan Scarinzi (Webutuck)

### **Reorganization:**

Motions made and approved for:

- Chairman – Nicole Ahearn
- Secretary – Peter McCaffrey

Public Meeting Schedule:

- Jan – Dec: Second Tuesday of the Month at 6:30pm

Reorganization meeting closed at 6:45pm

Monthly Meeting opened at 6:45pm

### **Business:**

- **Minutes approved:** December 12<sup>th</sup>
- **Webutuck Student Leadership Challenge:**
  - Defer to February meeting
  - Focus is on community day
- **Recreation Director Report:**
  - **Beekman Park**
    - Concession stand plans are being worked on. Measurements were taken this week and more will be getting done in the coming weeks.
    - Tractor is back. Thank you to DJ for bringing to mechanic.
    - Bleachers will be an early spring project. Will need volunteers.
  - **Celebration of Lights**
    - Both Amenia and Wassaic light celebration went well. Would like to see more people from recreation and community coming out to events.
  - **Town Wide Deck the House**
    - This program went very well. Had great feedback from community about doing this. Everyone is excited to have it again.
    - Had total of 24 signed up and participating.
    - House in Tally Ho won first, house on Old North won second, two houses on Morton Place won third and fourth.
  - **Town Mailer**

- Town Mailer for January, February, and March went out last week.
  - Everyone should have received them by now.
- **Soccer Clinic**
  - Had first soccer clinic on Saturday 1/6.
  - 12 kids were in attendance, lots of fun was had.
  - Two more clinics left. 1/20 and 2/10
- **Yoga**
  - First yoga class was 1/6
  - 4 adults were in attendance.
  - Three more classes left. 1/20, 1/27, and 2/3
- **Other Events**
  - January 20th, 2024 – No sew Fleece Pillow Making with Library
  - February 10th, 2024 – Valentine’s Day Craft Hour at Town Hall
  - March 9th, 2024 - St. Patrick’s Day Craft Hour at Town Hall
  - March 23rd, 2024 – Easter Egg Hunt at Beekman Park
  - Working on Felting Class for February during the week.
- **Little League Pitching Clinic and Open Gym**
  - Request to use the pitching mound and pitching net (approved)
  - Will post the dates and time.
- **Beekman Park Concession Stand**
  - Katie to work with Tracey Salladay Architects on an execution timeline with checkpoints/milestones
  - DJ Reilly to be the official liason from the Rec Commission on this project.
- **2024 NYSRPS Annual Conference:** Motion to pay for and send Katie to NYSRPS conference as an employee development, idea generation, and networking opportunity for Recreation.
- **Master Plan & Landscape Architect Project**
  - **Master Plan Project update from Jane Didona**
    - On track to support a public forum to review Wassaic Project proposal during February recreation commission meeting.
    - Wassaic scope includes the park (disc golf, trails into DEC land), town garage land (dog park, ADA parking, bridge), Church land (playground), and BMX pump track adjacent to rail trail. Mix of town owned and private lands.
    - Review with Town Board by end of February
    - Discussed expectations for the final Master Plan deliverable. Agreed to diagrams plus a bulleted description in support of the diagrams. (Goal is for someone new to the project to read the master plan and come away with a good project understanding.)
  - **AWCO Fundraising. Support** (Danielle)
    - First funding raising will be held at Troutbeck, dates and time to be confirmed along with any requests for information and materials from Jane Didona.

Next regular meeting is February 27th, 2024, at 6:30pm at Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted.

Peter McCaffrey, Secretary