

VILLAGE OF WESTON
February 14, 2024 Parks & Rec Board Minutes

Attendance: Samantha Gerchutz, Stephanie Monts, Shebly McClellan, Shannon Dusseau, Jeremy Schroeder, Dean Babcock

Minutes from the previous meeting were unanimously approved.

Discussed possibly moving the meeting date, this was tabled again to allow input from all board members when they are present.

A tentative schedule was set for the year:

March- Leprechaun Hunt 16th & 17th

April- Earth Day on the 21st 1-3PM

May- Color Run on the 11th, W.I.L.D Program on the 8th and 25th

June- Schools Out Glow Event on the 8th, W.I.L.D Program on the 5th and 22nd

July- Ice Cream & Tie Dye on the 11th, possible Community Field Day, W.I.L.D Program on the 3rd and 20th

August- Block Party on the 17th, W.I.L.D Program on the 7th and 31st, Space Night on the 10th

September- Grandparents Day on the 8th

October- Fall Fest on the 5th w/ a rain date sometime in November, Monster Mash on Main & Trick or Treat the 26th

December- Holiday Hoopla & Tree Lighting Ceremony on the 7th

The Leprechaun Hunt will be done a little differently this year, but similar to the Grinch Hunt. Clues will be placed at Old Schoolhouse Park and Alumni Park for two different age groups. Each park will have 5 different clues to find on your own time on Saturday (March 16th), and then on Sunday (March 17th) the Parks & Rec members will be waiting at the Village Hall for the "hunters" to enter the codes they discovered from the clues to unlock the Leprechaun's "treasure". Budget of \$200 was unanimously approved.

Samantha presented details of the Weston Wild Kids program: Wonder, Imagine, Learning, Discover. This program is geared towards ages under 10 and will learn about outdoor related topics, have an activity, read a book, and have a snack. Each lesson will be set at a max of 1 ½ hours. This program will be May-August on a Wednesday from 6-7:30PM and Saturday from 10:30AM-noon. Topics include: Rainbow, Squirrels, Clouds, Sun & Space, 5 Senses, Growing/Gardening, Insects, Frogs/Turtles.

Stephanie share details on Earth Day which will include planting a tree, birdhouse contest, crafts (dirt cup, earth coolie catcher, seed starter), and scavenger hunt.

Stephanie shared she has all the details together to place geocaches at the park. Unanimously approved a budget of \$25 for geocaching supplies.

Stephanie shared an idea for when the walking path is complete, which is an evening walking program called "Holy Walkamolles". Everyone was excited about the unique name and discussed possibly doing t-shirts with a logo of an avocado wearing workout clothing.

Adjourned at 7:49PM.

Next Meeting: March 13, 2024 at 6:30PM


Chairperson


Secretary