

Kent Park and Recreation
Special Meeting Easter Subcommittee
Minutes Feb. 8, 2021

Present: Lynn Harrington, Diane Impastato, Julia Neff, Kate Symonds, director Lesly Ferris.

Public & Invited Guests: None.

Chairman Lynn Harrington called the meeting to order via Zoom at 6:05 p.m.

Approval of minutes of Feb. 1, 2021 special meeting: Ms. Neff made a motion to approve the minutes of the Feb. 1, 2021 special meeting. Ms. Impastato seconded the motion, and the motion was approved unanimously.

Discuss proposed Easter events and assigned tasks: the subcommittee members agree they like the “decorate a rock to look like an Easter egg” idea discussed at last week’s meeting. A rock could be decorated with stickers, markers, etc. if someone doesn’t have paint. Ms. Neff created a sample google mock up that could be used for the voting. Ms. Ferris suggested creating a separate Gmail account for this. The subcommittee discussed dates for the submissions and voting and had consensus on these dates:

- Submissions due by March 20;
- Voting open March 22-27, voting closes March 27 at 7 p.m.
- Winners announced March 29
- Submissions would start being accepted on the day Park and Recreation announces the contest.

The subcommittee then discussed age categories. Entries would need to include a name and age. Mrs. Harrington commented that there are some pretty creative adults in the community and suggested Park and Recreation include them. Age categories are:

- Ages 5 and under
- Ages 6 to 10
- Ages 11-15
- Ages 16 and up

The top vote getter in each age category would receive a gift. The subcommittee discussed getting gift certificates to some Town businesses. Ms. Impastato suggested making the prizes fun. Mrs. Harrington said she feels gift cards don’t get used. Ms. Impastato said she would be happy to donate a prize.

The subcommittee also discussed handing out Easter goody bags. Ms. Ferris shared list of items that she typically purchases for the Egg Hunt. She researched last year’s event and reported that goody bags were sent home through Kent Center School’s meal program via the school buses because school was not in session. Other bags were available at Town Hall for pick-up following COVID-19 protocols. Ms. Symonds will research jump ropes this week. The subcommittee suggested asking the school if it would distribute goody bags. There also could be some bags at Town Hall to pick-up.

Next steps: The subcommittee agreed to meet again February 16 at 6 p.m.

Mrs. Harrington made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:41 p.m.

Lesly Ferris
Director

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