



North Town Hall Advisory Committee

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DATE: TIME: August 24, 2021 6:30

Meeting location: Chelmsford Community Center 31 Princeton St. North Chelmsford

Meeting Minutes

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Attendance:

Laura Lee
Donna Salyards
Joe Tierney
John Thompson
John Salyards
Karen Dussourd
LauraLynn Morey

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Public input: John Salyards discussed the impact of the church's request for a new storage area for their new TV stands. He raised concerns regarding moving the piano as the church requested and the impact to other rental groups.

John indicated that Scottish dancing will be starting again. Date to be determined.

We will be reviewing contracts to update any outdated information. Laura will be sending contracts to long-term renters for re-opening.

Starting September 1st:

Yoga wants to open on Tuesdays to start.

Dance will start again on Sundays.

The Yoga group that occurs once a month on Saturdays will be contacted regarding potential re-opening.

A new ballroom dancing group may be starting on one Friday night per month.

Henry will come in on Monday to clean for Tuesday's yoga, and as needed.

Future planning: Events

The committee held a discussion about how to go about opening again for public and private events. The committee discussed having a community-driven model only, for example: ballroom dancing, dog training committee, mother's club etc. and potentially not offering rental space for private events. The concern is based upon covid and the need for extra cleaning services. For the September re-opening, the committee determined it would be best to start with long-term renters only. The committee will hold another discussion in early 2022 to review plans for future rentals. Other options for additional janitorial services will be evaluated.

Karen Dussourd made a motion to vote: NOT to open for private events at this time. Laura Lee seconded. All in favor? Yes. Everyone voted yes to hold off on fully opening CCC at this time for private events.

Potential Halloween Parade: Oct 23rd, 2:00 pm, rain date Oct. 24th, 2:00 pm.

The committee discussed whether the Halloween Parade and after-party at CCC should occur this year. John Thompson made a motion to pursue possibly having the parade and an outside event. The committee will have an email discussion and make a final decision around Oct. 1, 2021. The email discussion will include the current town position or policies for public events due to covid.

Additional Storage Request:

The renters who occupy CCC for church services have bought 2 large TVs with stands and are looking for extra space to store them. The committee and public walked throughout the building and it was determined that there is no additional extra space. The organization currently has storage capability in the balcony, basement, and part of the 1st-floor kitchen for current storage. Due to the needs of other rental groups, no additional space is available. Laura Lee will reach out to the church and discuss our findings.

Volunteers:

This winter we will meet and discuss when to have a volunteer recruitment event.

John Thompson made a motion to adjourn the meeting: 8:00 pm Donna Salyards seconded. All in favor: Everyone said yes.