



## Quarterly Report – October 1- December 31, 2020

### **Youth & Family Programs -**

#### *Traditional programs modified with COVID19 safeguards:*

- Mad Science – Marvels of Science (November 6<sup>th</sup> – December 18<sup>th</sup>)
  - 9 participants in grades K-3
- 2020 Autumn Photo Contest (1<sup>st</sup> annual)
  - 24 individuals entered a total of 31 photos - displayed outside of Council Chambers
- Creative Kiddie Craft Time
  - Pumpkin Decorating – 5 families, Turkey Paintings – 8 families, Gingerbread Houses - 6 families
- Drive-Thru Trunk or Treat (October 24<sup>th</sup>) – Held in partnership with Lakes Region Chamber of Commerce
  - 18 trunk hosts with 80 cars registered for specific timeframes (reached maximum capacity per CDC guidelines)
- Virtual Costume Contest
  - 22 participants with prizes awarded to winning costumes

#### *New programs introduced with adherence to COVID19 guidelines:*

- Family Fun, Fitness and Film Festival (October 8<sup>th</sup>) - Collaborative effort between BTI and Windham and Raymond Parks and Recreation Departments; Held at Tasseltop
  - Activities included games, yoga on the beach, mindfulness sessions, a trails scavenger hunt and entertainment
  - 44 registrants with some drop-in visitors
- Family Bicycle Club (ongoing through 10/12/20) - in partnership with the Bicycle Coalition of Maine
  - 8 families registered for Fall 2020
- Tennis in the Parks (ongoing through 10/25/20) - US Tennis Association of New England program
  - 6 wks of instructional tennis with a certified coach
  - 30 participants in grades 1-8; all sessions full with a waiting list, including a second session for middle school students; Expect to offer this again in Spring 2021
- Windham Geocache Adventure (ongoing through 11/30/20)
  - A “scavenger hunt” where families or teams locate all 4 of the geocaches that Windham Parks and Recreation maintains on local trails; feedback received indicates that families have enjoyed exploring preserves that they may not have otherwise visited
  - Had 8 teams with a total of 24 members complete the challenge.

- Holiday Light Parade (November 29<sup>th</sup>) – Hosted by Windham Fire and Rescue and Windham Parks and Recreation
  - Parade route published in advance
  - Santa and Mrs. Claus traveled in lighted P & R bus
  - Parade traveled 56 miles and lasted 3 ½ hours
  - Overwhelming positive response from many community members who greatly appreciated having this come through their neighborhoods
- Holiday Decorating Contest – Held in partnership with WEDC and Lakes Region Chamber of Commerce
  - 11 Homes or Businesses registered their homes with department
  - Holiday Lights Map created for others to drive by and enjoy the decorations
  - Prizes awarded to winners of “People’s Choice” votes tallied on Facebook
- North Pole Hotline –
  - 54 children in grades 3 and under received calls from Volunteer Santas on two nights in December

### **Adult and Senior Programs**

- Senior Curbside Lunches – 1 Friday/month – Lunches provided by Franco’s Bistro (20 participants), Amato’s (15 participants), Duck Pond/Starlight Catering (18 participants)
- Ongoing Partnership with Social Services for food and/or medication deliveries
- Resumed Senior Shopping in September – no more than 4 participants on the bus (except for couples who can be seated together) – currently have 15 people utilizing this service
- Held two senior outings – Maine Wildlife Park (3 attendees on one bus); Holiday Lights Tour ( 6 participants on two buses)
- Created two Pickleball Courts in paved area at Community Park for Adult Pickleball

### **Capital Improvement Updates**

- **Dundee Park** – New storage shed and gatehouse installed at Dundee Park; Erosion control plan created — parking lot/fencing project delayed until FY22; Received grant from Gametime for new playground structure to be installed in Spring 2021 – Playground delivered and is being stored at Dundee Park
- **Windham Community Park** –Phase II contract awarded to AH Grover with work scheduled to be completed by June 2021
- **Lowell Preserve** –Working with Gorrill Palmer for site design and engineering for parking lot expansion; New Playground to be installed on upper field; Old playground to be removed prior to work being done
- **Lippman Park** – Estimates being gathered for roofing and other materials for improvements to Maintenance Building – work to be completed by Kevin Bailey (Park Maintenance Foreman); Logging on Martin Lippman’s 10-acre parcel was completed; MOU developed to work with Martin Lippman on parking lot expansion on this parcel
- **Community Center** – Committee met with Barry in September; Discussed potential for acquisition of middle school for development of Community Center; Harriman provided committee with 3 alternatives for building a new facility in the footprint of the existing middle school; Barry offered to request cost estimates from Great Falls for construction of a new building at either Morrell Property or Middle School site as well as cost estimate for renovating the existing middle school; Committee plans to come to council once that information is obtained to provide an updated report