Hopkinton Recreation Department October 25, 2022 Attending: Louise, Paul, Paula, Glenn, Jim, Melanie and Ann

The meeting was called to order at 6:34pm.

The minutes to the September meeting were accepted.

Louise thanked everyone for helping to make the Halloween Hollar a success. The turnout was great. Suggestions for next years event: spread out the games. Move the s'mores to a less crowded area for safety reasons. Need more s'more sticks. Only need 3-4 bags of marshmallows and 1½ boxes of graham crackers. Make a s'more sign. One more teen volunteer for s'mores. We bought 120 donuts and ran out. Should buy more next year as they freeze well and any extras can be used for breakfast with Santa. Ask fire department to bring the fire truck. Meet with the PTA before next years meeting to discuss food options. This year was the first year that there were no lunch options. Do we want to use this opportunity as a recreation fund raiser? Should we consider changing the traffic pattern for the parade? Flo will not be able to make the monthly meetings but still wants to be involved in events. Joyce has resigned but would still like to help with some of the events.

The first annual Pumpkin Walk is looking for volunteers. Melanie, Jim, Paul Mark and Ann were available. Bring your pumpkins from home. Hot chocolate will be served.

Breakfast with Santa will be held on December 3rd this year. Looking for a sponsor. We should consider raising the prices due to food price increases or whether this event should be overhauled. Paula stated that the Turkey trot/pancake breakfast event raises more than \$1,000.00 and the workload is minimal.

The Gingerbread House Workshop is scheduled for December 10th. Paula will need a helper. Senior Program Update: Paula is looking for volunteers to host senior programs. Paula has her department budget presentation on November 7th and would appreciate any support. She is looking to add \$5000.00 into

 her budget for postage and events which we do not charge the public. Other departments seem to get money from the town and each department should be treated equally.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35pm

Respectfully submitted, Ann Miller