

DRAFT MINUTES

Parks & Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes
Monday, January 17, 2022 @ 6:00 pm

Hampton Falls Town Hall
1 Drinkwater Road
Hampton Falls, NH 03844

Meeting called to order: 6:04 pm

Attendance: Lyn Stan (chair), Karen Sabatini (treasurer), Beth Forgione (secretary), Pam Fitzgerald, Phil Chura, Kathy Dittami, Mark Lane (Selectman Representative)

Not present: Larry Smith (GWP liaison)

Review and Approval of Minutes:

MOTION: To approve the minutes for the meeting on December 20, 2021.

MOTION: Karen Sabatini

SECOND: Pam Fitzgerald

Abstentions: None

Passed

Treasurer's Report:

	General Ledger	PRC Revolving Fund
Previous Balance (November)	\$2,612.36	\$36,755.95
New Balance (December):	\$2,791.40	\$36,859.09

Old Business:

Governor Weare Park (GWP)/Northeast Baseball Update– Mark Lane

All invoices for 2021 have been issued and paid. To facilitate scheduling the GWP fields Mark Lane recommended the primary users of the field get together, work out the scheduling for each field for the year (especially critical for spring and fall when the fields are in high demand) and identify time frames which might be available for other groups. Question – Might the fields at the school be an alternative for season play and pick-up games? Would need to be investigated.

Ice Rink 2022 Season Update – Grant Winnes

The rink is frozen and there has been a lot of activity this season.

Wreaths Across America in 2022 – Pam Fitzgerald

Karen Sabatini will post a notice in News and Announcements on our town website along with various social media platforms to see if someone is interested in leading this project. The topic

also will be brought up at the Tricentennial meetings.

Farmer's Market 2022 Update

The farmer's market is going forward every Wednesday starting June 1 and running until October 5 from 2 -6:00pm.

Depot Sub-Committee Update

The Depot Sub-Committee has firmed up their goal (vision) for the end of Depot Road. They are currently working on next steps on what it will take to implement the early deliverables of parking and signage. Grants will be pursued.

Parks & Rec Tricentennial Participation

Karen Sabatini is working with Mike Montville to put on an vintage version of baseball with T-shirts, hats, food, etc. Karen Sabatini and Mike Montville have been working out the details with Mike taking the lead on setting up the games. Mark Lane has agreed to lend a hand. A budget will need to be developed to cover costs. Mark Lane recommended the event include a Home Run Derby and a coed softball game. Tentatively scheduled for Saturday August 6.

Budget 2022

No major changes from the 2021 budget except the increased cost for mowing.

New Business

Children's Craft Fair - Melissa Bender

Melissa Bender proposed using the town common for a children's craft fair. The fair would be for crafts made and sold by local children. Its intent is not to be a fund raiser, rather an opportunity for children to get experience with making and selling their crafts. The proposed date is Saturday June 11 with a rain date June 18, from 1-4:00.

MOTION: Permit a children's craft fair on the common in June.

MOTION: Pam Fitzgerald

SECOND: Beth Forgione

Abstentions: None

Passed

Art on the Common 2022 Update

Art on the Common is currently proposed for the first Saturday in June.

Bandstand/Cool Wheel Concert Series

Currently working on signing up entertainment.

Castleberry Fair - Dates

The dates proposed for Castleberry Fair are May 7-8, July 2-3, Sept 17-18 and October 8-9 or October 15-16 (October dates TBD).

Other:

The sign at Governor Weare Park is in a sad state and should be replaced before the Tricentennial events. Kathy Dittami suggested that Alex Dittami has offered to assist with the project and has agreed to look at our current replacement plan. We are hoping the Tricentennial Committee will help cover some of the cost for the replacement of the GWP sign and our vintage baseball game for the upcoming Tricentennial week of events.

Adjourn

MOTION: Move to adjourn at 7:09

MOTION: Pam Fitzgerald

SECOND: Karen Sabatini

Abstentions: None

Passed

Prepared by: Beth Forgione