

DRAFT MINUTES

**Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes
Monday, February 20, 2023 @ 6:00 pm**

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

Meeting called to order: 6:00 pm

Attendance: Lyn Stan (chair), Karen Sabatini (treasurer), Beth Forgione (secretary), Pam Fitzgerald, Kathy Dittami, Gisela Manna, Linda Savoy, Colleen Farias

Not present: Mark Lane (Selectman Representative), Larry Smith (GWP Liaison), Phil Chura

Review and Approval of Minutes:

MOTION: To approve the minutes for the meeting on January 16, 2022.

MOTION: Pam Fitzgerald

SECOND: Karen Sabatini

Abstentions: None

Passed

Treasurer's Report:

	<u>General Ledger</u>	<u>PRC Revolving Fund</u>
Previous Balance (November):	\$ 3,810.00	\$ 45,486.21
New Balance (December):	\$ 3,002.18	\$ 45,488.14

Old Business:

Governor Weare Park (GWP) Update

Governor Weare Park is now under the purview of the town administration and no longer the responsibility of the Recreation Commission. Further clarification is needed from the town administrator.

Ice Rink Update

Unfortunately it has not been cold enough for the rink to freeze. It was proposed we have an end-of-season party with lights, fire pits, etc., to get some benefit from all the work done to set up the rink. A storage solution needs to be arranged for the rink, lights, fire pits and other Commission supplies. The existing shed is not suitable because of mice damaging the rink and not that secure. A suggestion was made to work with the town to acquire a shipping container to be shared with other town departments. Another option is to rent a storage unit.

Flower Arranging at the Library - Linda Savoy

This event did not take place because the Library Director did not feel there was enough time to publish the event and register participants. This event may be reconsidered for another time. To work effectively with the library Linda Savoy will meet with the Library Director every third Friday at 9:00 am to discuss opportunities for joint events and programs and work details of scheduled events.

New Business

Family Field Day

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A motion was made to hold the Home Run Derby again this summer in August, but expand it to include a range of other activities for all ages and call it a Family Field Day. Linda Savoy agreed to be point person for this event and Gisella Manna and Kathy Dittami volunteered to help.

MOTION: Move to hold a Family Field Day in August.

MOTION: Linda Savoy

SECOND: Gisella Manna

Abstentions: None

Passed

Meditation – Kathy Dittami

Kathy Dittami proposed a meditation class. Donna Onacki has agreed to teach the class for donations only and the library has agreed to host. Donna will do the class for four weeks from 12:00 – 12:30 starting April 6. The library can handle the sign ups.

Chair Yoga – Kathy Dittami

Kathy Dittami proposed a chair yoga class. Tuesday Orluk agreed to teach the class starting March 21 for six weeks. The cost will be \$5 per person/per class. If there are less than ten in a class, the Commission will make up the cost short fall as the minimum per class is \$50. Possible locations are the town hall meeting room and Avesta. How to manage the sign ups need to be addressed.

Recreation Commission Calendar of Events

With the list of offerings expanding, it was recommended we put together a calendar of events and make available at the town hall, the library, online, as part of the town calendar online and sent in the mail to target audiences. Someone needs to be assigned to this task.

Recreation Commission Logo – Gisella Manna

No update this month.

Castleberry Fair - Lyn Stan

The Castleberry Fair is no longer under the purview of the Recreation Commission. This means the town will now receive the revenue generated by this event. There will be three this year - May 13 and 14, July 1 and 2, Sept 16 and 17.

Summer Camp Program - Lyn Stan

No update at this time.

Studios 2 Go

Colleen Farias proposed arranging for Studios 2 Go, a gaming truck for kids, to come to town during the April school vacation (April 24 -28). She will investigate how much of a deposit will be required, but it is anticipated it will be \$250 or less. The per person cost to play is \$25 per hour.

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As the motion passed, Colleen will seek to arrange a suitable date and location with Studio to Go and the town.

MOTION: Move to have Studio to Go come to town during the April vacation (April 24 -28) and spend up to \$250 for a deposit.

MOTION: Colleen Farias

SECOND: Kathy Dittami

Abstentions: None

Passed

Painting Classes

Colleen Farius suggested painting classes might be fun. All agreed. Linda agreed to pursue.

Other

Recreation Commission By-Laws

With the change of responsibilities for the Recreation Commission, the Commission's by-laws need to be updated. We still need to meet with the town administration to clarify funding and revenue processes and to clarify roles. Beth Forgione suggested inviting Karen Anderson to a meeting to discuss funding and revenue processes.

Beth Forgione agreed to modify the current by-laws document, proposing needed changes based on what is known. These changes as well as any other proposed changes will be discussed at a special meeting on March 13 at 6:00pm. (Alternate date/time if necessary is March 15 at 6:00 pm.

Election of Recreation Commission Officers

Officers are voted in each March by Commission members. Positions are Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Treasurer and Secretary. Elections will be held at our next meeting.

Adjourn

MOTION: Move to adjourn at 7:50 pm

MOTION: Linda Savoy

SECOND: Kathy Dittami

Abstentions: None

Passed

Prepared by: Beth Forgione