

**Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes
Monday, May 15, 2023 @ 6:00 pm**

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

Meeting called to order: 6:05 pm

Attendance: Gisela Manna (Chair and Secretary), Linda Savoy (Treasurer), Lyn Stan, Karen Sabatini, Kathy Dittami, Dede Kouloheras, Kara Dumont, Pam Fitzgerald

Not present: Colleen Farias (Vice-Chair and Communications), Karla Donatelli, Karen, Mark Lane (Selectman Representative), Larry Smith (GWP Liaison)

Review and Approval of Minutes:

MOTION: To approve the minutes for the meetings on April 17th, 2023.

MOTION: Pam Fitzgerald

SECOND: Lyn Stan

Abstentions: None

Passed

Treasurer's Report:

	<u>General Ledger</u>	<u>PRC Revolving Fund</u>
Previous Balance (March):	\$ 2,182.18	\$ 45,491.81
New Balance (April):	\$ 2,182.18	\$ 44,793.68

Linda Savoy shared a copy of the Treasurer Report with those attending.

Old Business:

Communication Update- Awareness is up, many more views on the web page.

Gov Weare Park Update- no update

Storage Container at Gov. Weare Park- Gisela M. said we need to paint the outside of the container, landscape, and bring in some picnic tables nearby. We need to buy a lock. Linda S. asked if we have news on the snack stand. The FC Warriors are looking to turn it into a snack shack and if the recreation commission wants to sell snacks at non FC Warriors events we could keep the profits. It would be manned by volunteers that would need to be procured by the Recreation Commission.

Adults/Seniors Chair Yoga-Meditation program - Kathy Dittami

The second session starts tomorrow. Dates are Tuesdays starting May 16-June 13th at the Meadows. Between 8-12 people have been coming to the Meadows for the program. Updated flyers have been posted around town.

Mid-Day Meditation on Thursdays 12-12:30pm has been attended by a few and people enjoyed it so the recreation commission is looking at Donna doing a wellness series monthly with alternating topics.

Library Update - Linda Savoy

The second rock painting class is being posted on social media. If attendance is low on the second one then the class will be held even if only a few people attend. Regardless of how

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many people come to the second session, the recreation commission will still need to pay the teacher the full amount.

Recreation Commission Logo - Gisela Manna

Gisela provided some samples for the Recreation Commission logo, she brought 5 samples for members to view. We will have a special meeting to hold a vote on the final logo decision.

Family Field Day- Gisela Manna

Need to determine if the field is available on Aug. 20th. Need to hear back from Mark Lane to confirm the date so we can begin planning.

Upcoming Summer Recreation Programs-Gisela Manna

The school SAU office emailed the Recreation Commission to confirm that the RC did not have a program at the school last weekend. A parent thought they saw a person exiting the school. There should be no one accessing LAS unless there is a formal approved rec program. No committee members are aware of anyone entering and the RC did not have an event. However, we will continue to ensure we go through the proper protocol event request form for requesting approval when we do have an event.

We had a working session last week which was productive and we'd like to schedule another one to continue to firm up fall events and 2024 events. The Recreation Commission decided on May 31st, 7-8 pm for the next working session at Hampton Falls Town Hall.

Mrs. Claus- Linda Savoy

Weezie Vance has agreed to be Mrs. Claus at the town annual tree lighting in Dec. 2023.

New Business

Wreaths Across America-Linda Savoy

Volunteer sign up is published. Volunteers have started to sign up. Linda would like WAA to be added to the monthly agenda. Linda will ask Colleen for a QR code for WAA marked for WAA in the revolving fund. WAA direct donations will still be able to donate directly on the website. Any donation cash not used each year will be sent back to the WAA account on the Revolving fund earmarked only for WAA.

Summer Herbal Wellness program- Linda Savoy

Linda and Kathy met with Donna Onaki, she would like to do a 3 part session on Summer Herbal Wellness June 13, July 11- Herbs to Reduce Stress, Aug 8th-Wild Plant Walk. Each class is \$35, we will do a 60/40 split so the Recreation Commission would be able to capture 40% and place that in the revolving fund. The location for June 13 and July 11 would be in the town hall and the space is available. 12 people will be accepted per class, class will be 6-7:30 pm. Donna will create advertising flyers. Members asked how will residents pay? Forms of payment should be on the flyer. Colleen F. will produce a Venmo scan code and set up a Recreation Commission Venmo for future payments of Recreation Commission programs. The entire amount for class will come into the town of Hampton Falls and then the town will cut Donna a check for her 60%.

MOTION: To approve the Summer Herbal 3 part Wellness Program held on June 13, July 11, and Aug 8th, all 3 6-7:30, charging \$40 pp payable to the Town of Hampton Falls and adhere to the 60/40 terms. The 60% split will go to Donna Onaki, the 40% will go to the Recreation Commission Revolving Fund.

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Governor Weare Sign Repaint – Gisela Manna

Gisela recommended to the commission that we investigate repainting the Governor Weare sign. Karen Anderson spoke up to say the town is already looking for a bid to replace the Governor Weare Park sign.

Discussion All – Gisela Manna

Potential Lions Club funding for large scale events, at our next meeting we should discuss potential projects such as tennis and or pickleball courts. Send Karen Anderson an email, start discussing a business case for a tennis/pickleball project.

Other

No update on Communications was made as Colleen Farias was not present.

Adjourn

MOTION: Move to adjourn at 6:50 pm

MOTION: Pam

SECOND: Linda

Abstentions: None

Passed

Prepared by: Kara Dumont 5/15/2023