

**Town of Milton, Vermont**

**Recreation Commission Regular Meeting Minutes**

Wednesday February 15, 2023 - 5:00 p.m.

via Zoom

Commissioners in attendance: Emily Reinhardt, Kim Thompson, Ryan Bushey, Aly Humphrey, Rod Moore

Staff in Attendance: Jenna Tucker Eugair, Ben Nappi

**Agenda**

**1. Call to Order** – Kim at 5:04pm

**2. Amendments to Agenda** - None

**3. Public Forum** - None

**4. Approval of Previous Minutes** – Motion Ryan, Second Emily

**5. Recreation Commission Report**

• **Recreation Commission report and updates** – High school basketball is going well, soccer is doing very well with signups, about 230 kids, expect maybe another 100 more. Annual meeting mid to end of March, all youth sports who may want to be in contact with recreation are invited to join. Recruitment put on hold until next meeting

• **Volunteer opportunities/Rec Commission work**

o **Winter Festival Feb. 17 - 19** – Ryan soup and snowshoe, library has snowshoes that have been given to recreation, still looking for more volunteers for the remainder of the activities. Need one for winter wiffle ball. Reached out to Little League. Not doing Saturday afternoon at Arrowhead. Harry Potter themed cooking class, Family Center will help. Sunday is cardboard sled competition, last minute decision if weather doesn't permit, but might be 11am – 2pm. Requires some physical activity. Spread the word to others for potential volunteers. Jenna and conservation commission will be at snowshoe as well.

o **Ice Out** – been monitoring, hopefully it lasts through this warm spell. Rod has volunteered to help with Ice Out tickets. Sign attached to the device, Bill Kaigle, Kyle Thompson, Trevor Barrows have also helped.

• **Set goals for 2023** – Father/daughter, mother/son type dance, or grown up / youth without gender;

Super bowl event;

axe throwing contest;

more opportunity for middle/high school age people like basketball courts, card games (Magic, Pokémon), video game events, outside movie with kid focused, adult focused movies;

hockey rink;

skateboard/bike park;

softball fields are fixed up;

Some ideas depend on ARPA funds, decision in May (basketball, softball).

Maybe merging commission and department reports, spending last part of meeting talking about projects so that things aren't repeated.

Utilize recreation commission webpage – quote block, pictures

## 6. Recreation Department Report

### • Park Projects

o **Tennis Courts Update** – put out another request for proposals after consulting with USTA and local vendors after RFP didn't receive bids, new RFP received 3 bids. One is within budget. On Selectboard meeting for Tuesday to award Advantage Tennis. No time frame included

o **Mountain Bike Trails/Trails & Pathways Project** – No new updates other than semi-permanent signage. Rick working on access to Cobble Hill Road. Ben and Jenna need to meet with Don, and/or possibly invite him to next meeting

### • Events

o **Ongoing & Upcoming: Winter Festival, Ice Out, summer camps** – planning on releasing information by end of February, then at least two weeks until registration open. A lot of summer camps locked in, almost a full month sooner than the past, **Music in the Park** – already started locking in bands, working on 9 Music in the Park dates, plus 4<sup>th</sup> of July and National Night Out. Already commitment from one sponsor, Husky has indicated they want to contribute as well. Have not met with Farmers Market, which is next.

4<sup>th</sup> of July new fireworks vendor who is local Milton resident who is getting his license. Mini golf locked in as well.

Ben – New town website recently redesigned, any ideas for improving department pages

## 7. Next Meeting Wed, March 8, 2023 at 5:00 p.m.

8. **Adjournment of Recreation Commission Meeting** – Motion to adjourn 6:06pm Emily, second Rod and Ryan