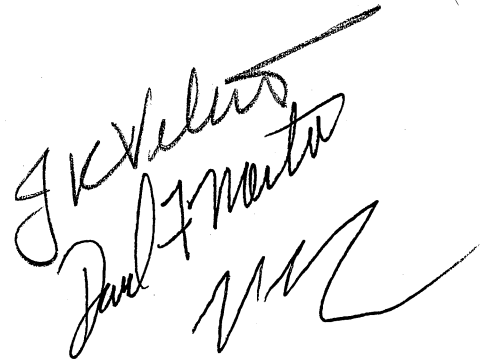


## Recreation Commission Minutes for February 28, 2024

### Present

Andrew Gray (Recreation Director)  
Julie Velevis (Recreation Board Chair)  
John Garey (Member)  
Valerie Rogers (Member/Alt.)  
David Menter (Member/Alt.)



The Recreation Committee met and reviewed current/future programs, as well as, past Events/programs.

### Recreation Rundown:

- Gray called the meeting to order at 6:30pm, seconded by Velevis, all were in favor.
- Members reviewed and approved of the minutes.
- Velevis updated the board on how the rescheduled Daddy Daughter Dance went in February. Fantastic event that brought more Dad's & Daughters. The dance's annual donation went to the Peach Project.
- Gray went over how the men's basketball league is going and there have been no major injuries at this time. All is well. Youth basketball has ended and 2<sup>nd</sup> grade has improved, people are 50/50 about the refs. Some folks like them and others felt they were not up to par. Some monitoring may be done with them. Gray mentioned that there were a couple of refs that called out the night before. These refs are paid. Ryan Tout did great coaching the kids on his team. He is organized and the kids love him. Still going to monitor Brentwood/Exeter coaches due to an incident that came up over a month ago.
- Pickle ball is going great. No more updates there at this time.
- The deck project is now completed. All looks amazing. Many compliments from Dad's at the dance on how great it looked. The team who did the project are now in discussions with potentially doing our window project. Kip is looking into vendors/pricing/dates of completion. Windows will be purchased by the Town's Capital Reserve Funds.
- Senior Breakfast 3/23 and Bunny Egg Hunt 3/30 will need some volunteers. Gray mentioned his family usually comes down for the Egg Hunt to assist.
- The Fall Fun Run 10/5 9-11am is scheduled and Gray is working with PD to get the permits completed. Velevis mentioned to Gray that they should really use the Arkell Race route. It is a much safer route as opposed to the new one. He will mention it to the PD officer in charge.
- The by-laws were reviewed and some new information came to light. Looks like we did not have to go through the BOS. Some updates are being made and then they will be completed.
- Board briefly discussed the Sip & Sign for 3/8. There were 8 people who signed up for it.

### **Formal Group Discussion:**

- The Board reviewed the Revolving Account \$21,970.10. There is still \$1,000 in PayPal.
- The bow hunter shipping containers are in the process of being moved by them. Gray said he will send them the bill to pay for it. Back end of the field down below is where they will be moved.
- Statement of Interests were discussed for the open Recreation seat. Kelly will not be coming back to the Board. Liz Faria was in attendance and is one of the candidates. All candidates are as follows: Liz Faria, Kellie Risner-Day and Ryan Tout. The Board listened to Liz and why she would make a good candidate and once she was done. The Board went into Non-Public to discuss the other candidates' qualifications and statement of interests. The Board took a vote after much discussion and chose Kellie Risner-Day as their recommended candidate due to things she has done over the years for Rec, playground committee and daddy daughter dance co-chair.
- Town Meeting/Childcare was discussed. Gray mentioned that the childcare will end at 12pm. There will be 2 counselors in attendance. No transportation at this time due to liability. However, that may change come 2025.
- Sunday Co-Ed Leagues/Fencing were discussed. The league would like to donate the fencing and install in hopes of off-setting their field fees. Gray is in talks with them about it.
- Capital Projects were discussed with the Board. We have roughly \$80,000 in impact fees. Gray mentioned using some of it to purchase items for Cricket. Also, the current Olsen Field ideas were discussed and name changes.
- Recreation Van and Kingston combination of counselors/beach/programs were discussed. Gray will be going in front of the BOS on 3/5 to get approval for it.
- Spring sports are underway. Gray went over that there are currently 13 signups for cricket and 10 for t-ball. It is still early and we expect more in the future.
- Seniors lunch is at the end of the month. Pickity Place trip will be in early May and Encore will be mid-May. Gray is working on securing the bus for the trip.
- Summer Camp registrations are underway Gray discussed with the Board. Currently 7 are registered. Gray also mentioned the new counselor Bria Healy and that Jason had left for a FT job, but wanted to come back as Camp Director. He will potentially be training an apprentice as well.
- Gray also mentioned the BRC, field, program pricing changes and evaluations on them. Will continue to discuss with the Board.

**Meeting End Time:** 8:40pm Called by Gray and seconded by Velevis.