

Town of Sanbornton ~ Recreation Commission~ Meeting Minutes

March 15, 2022 ~ 7:00 p.m. ~ DPW Building

Members: Joel Smith (Chair), Barbara Whetstone, Kaela Hobby-Reichstein, Jax Riendeau, Bob Lambert (Selectman Representative)

Meeting opened at 7:08 pm.

Present:

Joel Smith, Barbara Whetstone, Jax Riendeau, Kaela Hobby- Reichstein, Dolly Elliott, Bob Lambert, Patty Kasparian, and Amanda Pelissier

Meeting Minutes:

Meeting minutes from March 14, 2022 meeting were reviewed. A motion was made by Whetstone and seconded by Smith to accept the meeting minutes with any corrections.

Vote: All Affirmative. Motion passes.

Financials:

A motion was made by Riendeau and seconded by Smith to accept the February financials.

Vote: All Affirmative. Motion passes.

Before & After Care Program:

Elliott gave her update about the program. Afternoon numbers have risen significantly, and AM numbers are now at a waiting list. A motion was made by Smith to lift the mask requirement for the before & after school program however we reserve the right for the director to make the decision to change the policy as needed. Riendeau second the motion.

Vote: All Affirmative. Motion passes.

Summer Day Camp:

Pelissier went over Summer school plans for the elementary in the district stating that all grades 1st-4th will be held at Sanbornton Central School this summer for 3 weeks, July 11-July29th 8:30-11:30. The facility director spoke with Pelissier about setting a meeting up before the program starts with the schools principal to make sure everything would be all set with bus drop off and pick up for field trips.

Pickleball & Volleyball:

Pickleball received new balls for the program and Whetstone said the program was going great and two new people showed up to give the program a try. Elliott mentioned about an issue with the metal covers for the volleyball posts which are in the gym floor. Due to wear and tear and moisture, they have been slipping which is causing unsafe conditions. There was mention of talk about filling them with cement, but Pelissier will talk to the principal about the covers and find out more details.

Youth Basketball:

The 3/4 boys tournament team is still practicing for their last tournament on March 26th. Both the 3/4 boys and 5/6 boys did great in the LAYBL tournament in Laconia; 5/6 boys placed 3rd and the 3/4 boys placed 4th. Doucet Lawn Care will be sponsoring some of the tuition for the 3/4 boys to attend the Zero Gravity Tournament March 26th. Each team had their awards celebration with the exception of the 5/6 boys which will be Friday, March 25th. Personalized thank you cards were sent to each coach and assistant coach for their commitment to the program.

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Gunstock Outreach Program:

Friday the 11th was the last night for Outreach Lessons. Pelissier sent out a personalized thank you to the two mountain coordinators. The program brought in \$1500 this year, which is a record!

Easter Egg Hunt:

Pelissier asked for \$200 more from the previous \$400 due to candy prices being so high right now. Flyers were shown for the two egg hunts and a website called sign-up genius will be used for parents to respond with how many children will be participating in the egg hunt to try and get a better idea as to how many eggs to fill.

Sanbornton Central School 5K & Recreation Collaboration:

The elementary school is doing their 2nd annual 5K and Pelissier would love to involve the Recreation Department. Anyone in the community is welcomed to attend the event. There will be some festivities on the school's playground following the event and Pelissier would love for the Recreation Department to provide a dunk tank, cotton candy machine, and snow cone machine. After speaking with Taylor Rental, the dunk tank can be filled with a garden hose and can be picked up on a Friday night before the event. The event is set to take place Saturday, May 21st.

Swim Lessons:

NHswim was contacted about lessons being held at Winnisquam Beach again this summer for the first 2 weeks of August. WE are waiting to hear back confirming the program up.

Hiring Beach Employee:

Pelissier mentioned that her mother, Lorraine Pelissier, has asked if she can clean the beaches for the summer. She spoke with Trish, and she didn't see an issue with hiring a relative for the temporary position. The commission was in favor of it as well.

Old Town Hall:

During school vacation Dolly and two other employees did a major cleaning of the back room where the Rec stores most of their things. Pelissier said the room looks phenomenal and thanked them for their hard work. There was an issue with having the garbage removed in a timely manner but due to the unforeseen weather conditions, the pile was delayed a few days and the problem resolved.

Town Park Usage:

Pelissier received two requests from two leagues about using the Sanbornton Town Park; Tilton-Northfield Little League and Winnisquam Youth Softball League. They both filled out the usage application as well as a copy of their insurance so the usage was approved. Both leagues have agreed to split the cost of a portable toilet for the months of May and June.

Town Park Sub-Committee:

Pelissier deferred to Whetstone about an update on the committee. Whetstone stated they are working on a proposal for the BoS about their short- and long-term goals. Picnic tables were brought up and Riendeau talked about having her summer camp participants help build them for the town park. Putting out a facebook post asking for donated materials or scrap materials for them to use. Kasperian talked about her pricing from Apple Tree Nursery for planting around the playground. Smith talked about how it would be so nice to start working on the berm because that is the first thing noticed when entering the town park. The commission was in agreement with this. Riendeau mentioned a

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company in Vermont that sells Living Willows, which is a beautiful type of living fence. Kasperian will look more into it. Whetstone will have a proposal written up for the next meeting.

Revolving Funds:

Pelissier requested that a motion be made to not exceed \$3600 for Egg Hunt, 5K Collaboration, field paint, and swim lessons. Smith made a first on the motion, Riendeau second the motion.

Vote: All Affirmative. Motion passes.

Other Business

Next Meeting: Tuesday, April 12th 7:00pm at the Highway Garage

Respectfully Submitted:

Amanda Pelissier

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These minutes are in draft form and are subject to review/change and approval of the Recreation Commission