# Town of Sanbornton ~ Recreation Commission~ Meeting Minutes

# October 10, 2023 ~ 7:00 p.m. ~ Town Offices

**Present Commission Members:** Jax Riendeau, Kerri Federico, Bob Lambert (selectman Representative), Kaela Hobby-Reichstein, Colleen Longo, Amanda Pelissier (Recreation Coordinator)

Meeting opened at 7:00 pm.

**Present at the meeting**: Jax Riendeau, Kerri Federico, Kaela Hobby-Reichstein, Bob Lambert (selectman Representative), Amanda Pelissier (Recreation Coordinator), Dolly Elliott

### **Meeting Minutes:**

Meeting minutes from September 12, 2023 meeting were reviewed. A motion was made by Riendeau and seconded by Federico to accept the meeting minutes with corrections.

Vote: Federico, Riendeau, Lambert Affirmative. Hobby-Reichstein Abstains. Motion passes.

### Financials:

Financials for September were reviewed, and a motion was made by Federico and seconded by Hobby-Reichstein to accept September financials.

### Vote: All Affirmative. Motion passes.

#### Budget FY25 Review:

The Commission looked at the proposed budget for FY25. Pelissier explained that the milage line was decreased when the Town had a town car, that is no longer the case. The Rec commission suggested going up on the mileage line significantly to compensate for all the travel Pelissier does. Pelissier will look into calculating the mileage she uses and start keeping a log. Pelissier also explained that she gave one employee a significant increase due to the fact that they are almost finished with college and have the necessary qualifications State Licensing requires on top of working for the program for almost 4 years. The Before/After School Program is also short staffed and still looking to hire. Pelissier has also raised that starting rate from \$12 to \$14 an hour. The Commission stated that Pelissier needs to also give herself a few steps increase since programs are growing. Riendeau also reiterated that Pelissier should give herself an increase and spoke about how revenue brought in from the multiple programs is what the Recreation Department uses to pay the town back and with out Pelissier to create/run these programs they would not be able to pay the town back 50% of what is asked in the budget each year. Pelissier will revise the budget and send an updated one.

## **Coordinators Update**

## Before & After School Program:

Elliott reported that she has reached out to several of the parents on the waiting list and they have since found alternative care. There are only 3 staff currently working in the program, with Pelissier as a substitute. The job is posted but there has been no interest. Elliott would like to do something special for Savannah, who worked for the program throughout her high school career and has decided to move on at the end of the summer. Elliott will bring her ideas to the Rec Commission at November's meeting.

Pelissier got another grant from the Department of Health and Human Services for the program. \$4,060 will be used to go towards the programs 3 staff members and will account for a temporary \$2 raise for the remaining 29 weeks of the Before & After Care Program starting week ending 11/4/2023-6/22/2024.

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### Adult Potluck:

The last gathering on Wednesday, September 13<sup>th</sup> had between 14-16 people attend. ServiceLink had a great presentation and some great informational hand outs for folks. This month, Brook Noonan from Granite State VNA will join the potluck.

## Soccer Update:

Soccer season wraps up Saturday the 21<sup>st</sup> with medals, snacks and parents vs players games. Sports photos were taken and Pelissier will have plaques ordered for the sponsors within the week.

### Trunk-or-Treat:

There are 12 trunks, a food truck , and Moultons Band signed up for the event. Pelissier reached out to a few local organizations to see if they had interest in joining. Tilton-Northfield Little League responded that they will be joining this year!

### **Costume Party:**

Pelissier is looking for a few volunteers to help run the games for the littles during the event as well as clean up the gym afterwards. The Middle School Volleyball team was going to help but due to a tournament they are now unable to. Hobby-Reichstein mentioned she will reach out to a few of the Middle School Soccer players and see if they are interested in helping. Pelissier will be moving all the Halloween decorations to the school gym Friday night and has a few volunteers that will be helping with decorating for the event.

### **Gunstock Outreach Program:**

Pelissier has sent out seven registrations. Tier 1 pricing ends 10/27 and then jumps an extra \$50.

## Basketball:

Pelissier picked up the full uniforms and showed the Commission. Pelissier explained that doing a blind order was not the easiest when it came to guessing sizes. Upon showing the Commission the size of the small uniform pants, they all were in agreement to order additional sizes. The Commission agreed to purchase additional shorts; 10 Youth Large, 15 Youth XL, 5 Adult Medium, and one full Adult Large Uniform. Pelissier will reach out tomorrow and get them ordered ASAP.

Hobby-Reichstein made a motion to approve the purchase of the additional uniform shorts and 1 complete uniform. Riendeau second the motion. **All affirmative. Motion Passes.** 

#### Pickleball:

Pelissier has received several inquires about Pickleball returning to Sundays only for the months there is basketball. The program is growing and sometimes it is difficult for them all to play. Pelissier explained that having their time 5:45-7:45, it essentially used the gym for the whole night because basketball cannot practice that late on school nights. The Commission proposed two options for them to decide on;

Option 1: Thursdays will be moved to 7:00-9:00 with an additional \$10 per player (if they already registered) or \$40 for the season

Option 2: Sundays can be extended at no additional cost

Motion made by Federico to propose the two options for additional Pickleball time. Riendeau seconded the motion. All Affirmative. Motion Passes.

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#### Kids Workshop:

Saturday, December 9<sup>th</sup> 1:30-4:00pm in the Sanbornton Central School Gym. Hobby-Reichstein suggested purchasing small boxes and different size gift bags to speed up wrapping time.

#### **Christmas Gathering:**

Saturday, December 16<sup>th</sup> 3:00-4:30. Pelissier will reach out to Santa about coming to light the tree and take photos with the children. Federico inquired about the Santa Mailbox, and Pelissier confirmed it will be out this year.

#### Town Park Committee:

The well and irrigation will start in the spring!

#### **Revolving Funds:**

See above for Basketball uniform purchases

**Other Business** 

Meeting adjourned at 9:02p.m.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, November 8, 2023 7:00pm at the new Town offices

Respectfully Submitted:

Amanda Pelissier Amanda Pelissier, Coordinator

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