

Town of Grand Isle

Recreation Committee Minutes

When: Thursday, September 14th 2023 - 6:30 PM

Where: Town Office

- Call to Order **6:34 PM**
- Attendees (Committee Members / Guests) **Laura Johnson, Erin Leduc, Emily S.J. White, Shirley Mora, Jaime Short, Roth Perry**
- Review and approve prior minutes **Approved**
- Amend agenda for items not listed **Trunk or Treat - Calcutta**
- Guest Business - ~~Bianca DeValeria Request for funding for a First Robotics Program for Island kids age 4-8. Materials cost \$400 and are reusable. Looking to have it available as an afterschool program at one of the libraries.~~ **Funding was found outside of Rec**
- Old Business
 - Oaths ready for signature - Jaime? Erin? **Not yet**
 - IPA
 - Roth checked with the town and we will need to rent the chipper ourselves as the town does not have one. Perhaps we could coordinate a time to work with the IPA to chip. Suggest this become a Spring 2024 project. **All agreed**
 - Shed has been installed, IPA had an electrician run power down to the shed. **Noted**
 - Bocce
 - Roth asked the Bocce picnic table carpenter if they would be interested in making more. He said he would. Need to quote the material list. Suggest this become a Spring 2024 project. **All agreed**
 - Existing Shed - Roth and Jaime have keys - Roth to cleanout day before the end of the year. **Noted**
 - Park Ranger job approved by the Select Board. Next step, advertise and present a candidate to the Select Board. Update, with more park activity, the park has been taken care of nicely to date by the users. Paused, will be reevaluated for 2024. **All agreed.**
 - Budget - 9/14/2023 approximate balance \$_____. **Spent approximately \$1800 over Town allocation and programs revenue. Longer term investments were made such as the Donaldson Park benches and Lacrosse Program Gear. Emily to look into the portable toilet master contract with the State for potential savings there.**
 - Donaldson Upkeep During the Summer - (Lawn Mowing / Electricity / Security Cameras / Trash Cans / MOU with highway dept / Tree clearing / Portable Toilets) Wifi info signs to be made for 2024. **Agreed**
 - Mowing seems to be getting done around the park.

- Cameras Roth to locate with the shed cleanout
- Donaldson Park Master Plan - Any interest in pursuing identified grants for this? Winter project for Emily to take on
- Adult Fall Slow Pitch Softball. Fall season has started. Rainy but fun first weekend. Spend around \$100 for balls. Noted
- Lacrosse Clinic - US Lacrosse membership obtained and equipment grant applied for. Any update on the grant? Grant not approved
- Portable PA System - Bose S1 Pro battery powered w/ Mic \$649.99. 6 Hour runtime, good reviews, small and portable with big sound.
<https://www.sweetwater.com/store/detail/S1ProSys--bose-s1-pro-multi-position-pa-system-with-battery> Roth wants to call Sweetwater to make sure this is the correct system for what we want. Noted
- Designated Swim Area. Any luck with a map of the area so that we can sketch out a swim area? Emily put together a detailed drawing and cost summary. Next step is to review with the Selectboard over the Winter.
- Travel Soccer - First games last Sunday. Spent ___ on shirts. Will need to pay the Vermont soccer association for league dues.
- Rec Soccer started last Sunday at Folsom.
- Fall Festival on September 30th. Where are we at and what needs to be done. Moved to 10/15 Shirley to check on vendors/ etc. before advertising. Jaime to advertise.
- Ski Program Pricing? Waiting for more info from Lindsay. Need to check with Ashley about bus transportation.
- New Business
 - Would someone be willing to review the prior minutes halfway between monthly meetings and check in on progress of various tasks? Shirley agreed to provide friendly reminders.
 - Trunk or Treat - 10/28 from 5-6 PM - Vote for Favorite Trunk, try to find donations for prizes (Erin) Google Signup for Halloween.
 - Calcutta - Discuss more for sometime during the winter after the October programs..
- Confirm next meeting date/time - October 12th, 2023 at 6:30 PM
- Adjourn 7:38 PM