

Town of Grand Isle

Recreation Committee Meeting Special Meeting Minutes

When: Wednesday, May 15th - 5 PM

Where: Donaldson Park Pavilion

- Call to Order **5:08 PM**
- Attendees (Committee Members / Guests) **Jaime Short, Shirley Mora, Roth Perry / Diana Arfine, Hannah Langsdale**
- Review and approve prior minutes **Approved**
- Amend agenda for items not listed **N/A**
- Guest Business **Both Diana and Hannah are interested in becoming part of the committee and helping out. Diana had the idea for a newsletter and walking club or other programs for "empty nesters". Hannah is interested in setting up a frisbee golf course, the volleyball sand court, taking the lead on greenup day next year, and possibly a community garden.**
- Old Business
 - Oaths - update? **Roth needs to have a conversation with Melissa about terms and members.**
 - IPA
 - Spring Chipping Project **The IPA area is looking good and pretty clean. More brush piles are around the ball fields.**
 - Bocce
 - Spring Picnic Table Project **Roth to look into pricing of composite picnic tables.**
 - Park Ranger job - Larger budget approved at Town Meeting **Hannah expressed interest. Need to look into trash cans for Marycrest Beach area.**
 - 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.
 - Cameras - Roth found during the shed cleanout, need to verify subscription fees. **Discussed holding off on cameras for now as there has not been any vandalism for a couple of years.**
 - Donaldson Park Master Plan - Wish list project? Any updates? Roth to meet with the selectboard on 6/3/24 to discuss parking concerns.
 - Designated Swim Area - Plan to take the plan to the selectboard after the New Year. Emily and Roth to take to the selectboard (Maybe on the 3rd meeting?) One selectboard member would like to figure out how to offer swim lessons. Any followup with teachers to see if they may be interested in our getting them certified and being instructors? **Jaime had the idea to reach out to North Hero and see if there could be any collaboration with them.**

- Ski Program - Thoughts for next year? **Group thinks that Bolton was the way to go for next year. Likely bussing will not be provided by the school.**
 - Basketball Programs - Spring session started - March Madness fundraiser on Cheddarup? Fundraiser netted \$355 (actually \$255 but the 1st place winner donated back) **Noted**
 - Year Calendar Update - Anything to share? **Shirley will coordinate with Diana**
 - Teen Programming - Any movement on the Rock Wall / Open Gym? **Roth to dig back through Front Porch Forum about the people interested in a teen hangout.**
 - Lacrosse - Possibly after baseball. Will need to be another clinic format. **Noted**
 - Adult softball - Signups are up. **Will need some bats and balls. Roth to check the Rules. Jaime to handle the teams signup page.**
 - Wellness fair - Any movement on this? **Decided on August 23rd for a Community night that would include wellness type tables/booths**
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- New Business **See guest business**
 - Confirm next meeting date/time - **Wednesday June 12th at 5 PM**
 - Shirley to provide friendly reminders a couple weeks before then.
 - Adjourn **6:16 PM**