

Town of Goshen  
**RECREATION COMMISSION**  
SPECIAL MEETING  
**Thursday, February 29, 2024**

**Present:** Sue Breakell, Chairperson Nanci Howard, and Recreation Director Erin Reilly. Vice Chair Sarah Leonard and Patrick Lucas joined via zoom. Excused: Garret Harlow and Angela Roszbach

**Call to order:** Called to order by Chairperson Nanci Howard at 7:23 pm.

**Secretary's Report:** In a **motion** made by Sarah Leonard and seconded by Patrick Lucas, it was **voted** unanimous to approve the minutes of December 18, 2023.

**Financial Report: Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual**

Currently the Parks and Recreation department has spent 51% of budgeted funds, which is good at this time of year. Camp Lodge Maintenance was over budget by \$1554.55 due to emergency repairs and timing of plumbing payments. In a **motion** made by Sarah Leonard and seconded by Patrick Lucas, it was **voted** unanimous to accept the report

**Program Reports:**

Kids Programs:

Successful WMGL Skills program with ninety-nine children participating.

Mohawk Ski program last day was Tuesday February 27, 2024.

New program for half day/no school: First one held on Friday 3/23/2024 was attended by twelve children, several volunteers assisted. There are two half-days scheduled for March (3/20/2024 and 3/22/2024) where children will be bussed to Camp Coch.

Saturday, March 23, Egg-fest. Toddlers to 2nd grade at Kobylanski Lodge for games, treats, egg hunt and a visit by the Easter bunny.

Tuesday, April 23- May 28 T-ball for PreK - 3rd at GCS field. Currently looking for volunteers to help coach.

Archery for grades 2-5 runs March 22 - April 12 in the basement of Kobylanski Lodge.

All upcoming programs are listed in the Town Topic - Spring has Sprung

Adult Programs:

Yoga: Evening Yoga will meet on Monday nights

Janice's Fitness Group meets on Mondays and is going well

Adult Basketball: held on Tuesday into April.

60+ Programs:

December 21<sup>st</sup> trip to American Clock & Watch Museum, with a visit to Parkside Café.

The January trip was postponed due to poor weather and low enrollment.

The February trip to the flower show was a full bus trip.

Thursday, March 20 trip to Accordion Connection in Canaan with lunch at the Industrial Kitchen.

Thursday, April 18, to Riverside Reptiles in Enfield and lunch is at Acapulco's.

Thursday, May 16 a visit to the CT Trolley Museum in East Windsor.

Family/Community Programs:

The February brunch had forty-eight people attending, the next one is April 15, 2024.

A St. Patrick's Day celebration may be scheduled.

The town continues to contribute to the Senior Social on Tuesdays in the Parish Hall.

Paint night with Christine in Kobylanski Lodge on 3/1/2024 and a needle felting project on 3/8/2024. A new program by Sarah with a stained glass project on Friday 3/29/2024.

Saturday, April 27 is the Annual Shane Kinsella Memorial run/walk at Camp Coch.

The Concert series start May 6, 2024.

The Park and Recreation Department has discounted tickets to Lake Compounce thru the CT Recreation and Parks Association (CRPA).

## RECREATION COMMISSION - Monday, December 18, 2023

### Old Business:

#### Camp Coch Day Camp Proposed Budget

In 2023/2024 Fiscal Year the revenue was \$49,605 and the expected revenue for FISCAL YEAR 2024/2025 is \$78,616. Camp fees will be \$ 195 for residents and \$ 225 for non-residents for the 2024 Camp season. Hiring is on-going and a letter will be sent to Regional School District 6 for help in recruiting. A letter was sent to businesses to look for sponsors for the ice cream and pizza which is now included in the camp price.

#### Office Relocation to Camp Cochipianee

Reviewed responses to the Board of Selectman questions (Concern's for Moving the Recreation office over to Camp Coch ), see attached. This is scheduled for review in the Board of Selectman Meeting on March 5, 2024.

### New Business:

#### Fiscal Year 2024/2025 budget discussion.

The Board of Selectman will review the budget on 3/19/2024 and the Board of Finance on 3/22/2024. Changes for Fiscal Year 2024/2025 include a \$1000 increase for Camp Lodge Maintenance including water testing compliance. Camp supplies were reduced by \$7300 as sponsors are expected to help cut costs. Office Supplies are up \$800 and include broadband, ring cameras and MyRec Software. Overall, it is a 1.57% increase over Fiscal Year 2023/2024.

#### Capital Non-Recurring

\$28,700.00 for Capital Non-Recurring in proposed for Fiscal Year 024/2025 budget. The discussion included: \$5000 to Camp Coch Facilities Projects for replacement boiler/furnace/hot water heater (estimated \$13,000). Improved playground to be installed near the track for public and camp use at \$15,000 per year. Planning for anticipated replacement of Kobylenski Lodge roof in 20/30 years. Additional cameras around the buildings and grounds and a key fob system(\$3,700) to be installed to monitor indoor access. Track Repair maintained as numerous people utilize the track daily so track maintenance is a priority.

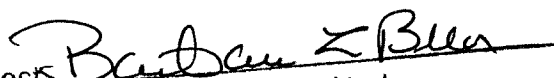
The budget will be discussed at next meeting on March 18, 2024, before submittal to the Board of Selectman.

**Adjournment:** In a motion made By Susan Breakwell, seconded by Patrick Lucas, it was **voted** to adjourn the meeting at 8:04 p.m. Voted unanimous.



Lee M. Kennedy  
Recreation Commission Clerk

Received March 4, 2024 9:11 P.M.

Attest   
Goshen Town Clerk