

Town of Goshen

RECREATION COMMISSION

Regular Meeting

Monday, December 20, 2021

Present: Chairman, Don Patterson; Katie Hennessy, Recreation Director; Nanci Howard; Angela Rossbach; Sue Breakell;

Excused: Garret Harlow; Patrick Lucas

Others: Todd Carusillo, First Selectman

1 Call to order: 7:11 p.m.

In a **motion** made by Don Patterson, seconded by Nanci Howard, it was **voted** to add to the agenda item

2. Secretary's Report. Voted unanimous.

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In a **motion** made by Angela Rossbach, seconded by Susan Breakell, it was **voted** to accept the minutes of October 18, 2021 as submitted. Voted unanimous.

3. Financial Report: Included in the packet were Quarter 1 & 2 Reports. Line Item "programming expenses" show to be overbudget, however, revenue projections will be accounted for in the next budget which will offset costs in a separate account. Camp supplies remain high due to shortages, to obtain best pricing, summer supplies have been purchased in advance to take advantage of sales.

4. Programming Report:

The Programming Report (Winter Catalog). Goals: Continue expanding special event collaborations with the Library, Private Clubs, Fire House and Congregational Church;

Place emphasis on mental and physical health based programs to help fight depression throughout the winter months; includes a wider range of fitness classes to accommodate all abilities. Looking to expand with other organizations to reach more people i.e., cardio kickboxing, etc. A "Battle of the Bands" event is being planned as a good fund

5. New Business:

Director Hennessy reported on and gave updates on Social Services (Park & Rec office is currently acting as Goshen's Social Services Office as well.) Camp Improvements, Trail Restoration, Facility Improvements: Director Hennessy is very grateful for the Goshen Land Trust and the Inland Wetland & Watercourse Commission for their willingness to help in the trail restoration endeavor. She is seeking *grants* to offset costs for trail restoration and development along with teen drug prevention (collaborative). The Goshen Garden Club will now be holding their meetings at the main lodge at Camp Coch in exchange for the new landscaping on façade of the building.

6. Goshen Park and Recreation Policy Handbook: This newly created handbook contains Section 1 Facility Policies and Rules; Section 2, Code of Conduct; Section 3, Violations & Disciplinary Procedures; Section 4, Programming and Special Events; Section 5, Volunteering. This will be voted upon at the Town Meeting on Wednesday, May 25, 2022.

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7. Adjournment:

In a **motion** made by Nanci Howard, seconded by Sue Breakell, it was **voted** to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 p.m. Voted unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Lucille A. Paige, Recording Secretary