

Hardwick Recreation Committee Minutes

July 10, 2017 6:30PM

Hardwick Senior Center

Present: Joe Brosseau, Derek Williams, Ron Wiesen, Nicole Miller, Kathy Hemmens

Joe called the meeting to order at 6:50PM.

Approval of Minutes: Following a motion by Ron Wiesen, seconded by Nicole Miller, the Minutes of the June meeting were approved unanimously.

Finance Report: Kathy reviewed the end of fiscal year budget report that shows a \$5,289.06 balance remaining from the \$21,933.00 annual budget. The unexpended funds are due to the resignation of the former Coordinator; these funds will revert to the Town's end of year fund balance. (Brittany Currie indicated that the remaining balance may be reduced slightly if any remaining bills from the previous fiscal year are submitted this month.

Nicole Miller reported that she has been unable to locate a lifeguard and swim instructor and so is unable to expend the extra funds allocated to the Youth program for that purpose. She indicated that alternative camp activities will be provided to the campers and proposed using the allocated funds to help support them and the staff necessary to offer them. Alternatively, she can speak to the school administration about the possibility of re-funding the money as none of the \$1500 or so that has been invoiced has yet been spent. Kathy will speak with Jon Jewett about the need to change course and find out if expending the funds or refunding them is preferred. The REACH program does have 2017-18 Recreation Committee monies in its budget to cover the costs of alternative activities. Ron Wiesen moved and Kathy Hemmens seconded a motion to authorize Nicole to develop alternative activities for the campers. Joe, Derek, Ron and Kathy voted in favor of the motion; Nicole abstained.

Kathy then made a motion to approve the Financial Report; Ron Wiesen seconded the motion and the Report was approved unanimously.

Project Updates

Mackville Pond Upgrades: Kathy reported that Jon Jewett has purchase two new picnic table and had them placed at the Park. The Committee agreed that expanding equipment for children's play would be a good project to put on our agenda going forward.

Pickleball: Kathy reported that she will be holding a meeting of the several people who are interested in pickleball; she will also put a posting on FPF about the project to see if other local people are interested.

Other Business: It was noted that not all the skating rink equipment was moved to the Town storage shed. Kathy will speak to Jon Jewett about this.

Joe reported that he was unable to locate an RV suitable for a warming shed in time to use the funds remaining in the 2017 budget and that CAE had not yet given him permission to locate the shed on the Atkins field grounds.

There was a brief discussion of the interview scheduled for 7:30PM with an applicant for the Coordinator position.

At 7:25PM, Kathy Hemmens made a motion to go into Executive Session for Personnel to interview the candidate. Derek Williams seconded the motion and all approved.

At 8:15PM, Ron Wiesen moved and Nicole Miller seconded the motion to come out of Executive Session.

The regular meeting resumed; Joe Brosseau stated that he will call the candidate's references. Derek Williams moved and Joe Brosseau seconded the motion to recommend to the Town Manager that the candidate be hired as Recreation Coordinator, contingent on a favorable reference check. The ensuring vote was unanimous.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Hemmens, Recreation Committee Coordinator

The next meeting of the Rec. Committee will be at 6:30PM at the Senior Center on August 8, 2017.

The meetings are open to the public.