

Town of Stratham



Stratham Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes December 2, 2020

At 7:02 pm, Tracy A. opened the meeting.

Members in attendance: Tracy Abbott, Sean Kotkowski, Joe Lovejoy, and April Mason

Absent: Jeff Simeone

Guests: Seth Hickey/Parks & Recreation Director, Kate Dardinski, Chris Lord/Basketball

I Basketball Program

* The Basketball Board's program submittal was reviewed and discussed. Based on new guidance received, Seth recommends kids wear masks even while playing and only coaches and players allowed in the gym. Sean asked about hiring a custodian to help manage the new sanitizing and temperature check requirements; Seth stated that the school has approved our usage through the end of March 2021.

II The October 21, 2020 Meeting Minutes were reviewed.

* Joe made a motion to approve the October 21, 2020 Meeting Minutes as written; Sean K. seconded; all in favor, motion approved unanimously

III Treasurer's Report

* April had inquired about how the Recreation Revolving Fund reconciliations were progressing. Seth stated that the Finance Department has been able to reconcile the Fund through March/April and he will be able to provide a copy of that reconciliation soon.

IV Report from the Parks & Recreation Director

* Reviewed and discussed Seth's Recreation Department Dashboard.

* Seth reviewed the status of the Trail Assessment that was completed by SnowHawk, LLC. The next step is creating a task list to review with all interested parties in regard to the next steps for the management of the trails/networks in Stratham.

* Programs – Seth reported that the Ski Programs registrations have been strong, even with parents having to provide their own transportation; new programs include coding and online gaming; Seth said the Recreation Department will be offering some sort of summer camp program, he just isn't sure of the format or location yet; other programs which will be offered include spring Baseball/Softball, street hockey, and a cross-country series.

- * Stratham Hill Park – Seth said the pump track needs some work and may need a major overhaul in the spring.
- * Smyk Park – Seth stated that he is looking for creative ways to utilize Smyk Park and is considering a disc golf course as an option.
- * SkatePark – Seth reported that the SkatePark Committee isn't going to take any major action in 2021.

V Old Business

- * The final versions of the Stratham Recreation Commission Revolving Fund Policy & Procedures were discussed.
 - *Joe made a motion to approve the Stratham Commission Recreation Revolving Fund Policy & Procedures as written; Sean K. seconded, all in favor, motion approved unanimously
- * The final version of the Stratham Recreation Commission By-Laws was discussed.
 - *Joe made a motion to approve the Stratham Recreation Commission By-Laws as written; Sean K. seconded; all in favor, motion approved unanimously

VI Adjournment

At 8:15pm, Joe motioned to adjourn the meeting, Sean K. seconded; all in favor, motion approved unanimously.

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, January 6, 2021 @ 7pm at the Municipal Center