

## Town of Stratham



### Stratham Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes Tuesday, April 12, 2022

This action sheet is provided as a means of communicating actions of the Stratham Recreation Commission to the public in a timely manner. Meeting Minutes associated with this meeting will be published following drafting and approval of the Commission.

Call to Order - At 7:08 pm, Tracy A. opened the meeting.

I. Roll Call -

In Attendance: Tracy Abbott, Kate Dardinski, Allison Knab

Absent: Sean Kotkowski

Guests: Seth Hickey, Parks & Recreation Director; Cantrece Forest, Program Coordinator

II. Consideration of Minutes from previous meetings

Kate made a motion to approve the minutes from the March 15, 2022 meeting, Sean seconded the motion, all in favor. Approved unanimously.

III. Treasurer's Report

Kate provided updates.

IV. Report of Stratham Parks & Recreation Director

Seth shared his Director's report updating the Commission on all town/sports activities.

Smyk Property – signs are being discussed.

Community Room - rental policies are being updated, rates are being adjusted, and both will be submitted soon to the Select Board for review.

4-H Summerfest will be held on July 16<sup>th</sup> in conjunction with the Police Dept. National Night Out.

Baseball – Field clean-up is this weekend

Softball- The board meeting was held this evening, (1) Board member attended.

Soccer – There weren't enough registrants for the 5-6 program; discussion revolved around possibly cancelling this age group/program for this year.

The Great Bay Food Truck Festival will be held on Saturday, May 7, 2022.

V. Old Business

Youth Sports Coordinator position – (2) years ago there was a possible Senior Coordinator position being discussed, duties which are now being handled by the Recreation Department. Now that we are experiencing a volunteer shortage, the Department could use help with the Youth Sports Boards as well. Kate suggested that the Recreation Department do a review of their overall staffing needs.

TMAC – The Select Board extended the Committee for (1) more year to continue their work.

VI. New Business

Grants – Seth is working on a couple grants, both of which offering matching funds.

Summer Camp – Seth reported that it is almost sold-out.

5<sup>th</sup> Grade Celebration – the Commission discussed, and decided to not hold this event. The 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Committee does a great job of planning events for the 5<sup>th</sup> Graders and they have a lot of activities

planned for this year.

Friday Programs at the Park – Seth reported that they will not be offered this year.

Danielle Harmon Award – Kate will discuss with Laura Batchelder to make sure we are on track for this year's nominations.

Board members – Seth reported that the Select Board appointed Nancy Hunter to be a member of the Recreation Commission. Nancy's term will be a 3-year term ending in 2025.

VII. Adjournment

Sean made a motion to adjourn @ 8:38pm, Kate seconded, all in favor. Approved unanimously.

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 10, 2022 at 7:00 pm.