

Town of Milton, Vermont

Recreation Commission Regular Meeting Minutes

November 9, 2015 • 6:00 P.M.

Milton Municipal Building
Recreation Office
43 Bombardier Road
Milton, VT 05468

Recreation Commission Members Present: John Lindsay, Sharon Radtke, Cyndi Dowling, Betsy Hoffmeister

Staff Members Present: Kym Duchesneau - Recreation Coordinator, Ben Nappi - Assistant Recreation Coordinator,

Public Present: None

1. Call to Order

- Meeting was called to order by Radtke at 6:25pm.

2. Amendments to Agenda

- None

3. Public Forum

- None

4. Approval of Previous Minutes

- Lindsay made a motion to approve September 2015 and October 2015 minutes as written; Dowling seconded; minutes approved.

5. Recreation Department Report

- Fall/Winter Programs and Events are going well, particularly the Afterschool Bowling program which has sixty-nine participants. Duchesneau gave an overview of upcoming events and programs, including ThinkSafe for Kids, Woodworking, Holiday Concert, and more. Dowling inquired about somehow trying to connect more Milton children with the process of feeding food-insecure people in the community. The Commission discussed this, and suggestions included having children assist with the food shelf or the upcoming Thanksgiving themed Milton Community Dinner.
- Winter/Spring programs and events planning is going well. New offerings may include Pick-Up Basketball, Cheese Making, Healthy Mediterranean Escape, Acrylic Painting and more. Dowling suggested looking into the possibility of collaborating with a local winery on a program or event. The Recreation Program Guide is being redesigned and should be completed soon.
- Fiscal Year 2017 Budget & Capital Improvement Plan details are coming along, with no new updates for the Commission at this time.
- A draft job description for the new Recreation Department part time position that is being developed has been sent to Human Resources and being reviewed.
- Commission members and Recreation staff discussed the Milton 4D project, in what ways Recreation has been involved thus far, upcoming meetings, and ideas.
- New signage for several locations at the Municipal Building and Bombardier Park East will be completed very soon and an unveiling event will take place, which Recreation staff will be assisting with.

- Signage at the pavilion in Bombardier Park East was vandalized recently, as well as the floor of the Milton Outdoor Performance Center. Milton Police will be looking into these crimes.
- A new Community Service Learning Milton High School student, Meredith Holbrook, is assisting the Recreation Department with various tasks. She has been great to work with.
- Milton Bear will be travelling to Ludlow to take part in the Scouting Salute to Veterans Parade with Milton Cub Scout Pack 43.

6. Recreation Commission Report

- Dowling made a motion to move the Recreation Commission meeting scheduled for December 9 to December 10, immediately following the Recreation Selectboard Budget Meeting which is scheduled for 6pm. Hoffmeister seconded, motion approved.
- Dowling reported that community member Jessica Groeling may be interested in joining the Recreation Commission.
- Fees for Sled Dog Rides during Milton Winter Festival may be changing. Winter Festival events on Sunday, February 14 will be moved from 12:30 - 2:30 to 12 - 2pm. Lindsay reported that he has a personal contact who may be able to help with snow sculpting during Winter Festival.
- Commission members would like to inquire with the Town Manager and possibly Selectboard regarding how many members the Recreation Commission is permitted to have.

7. Next Meeting

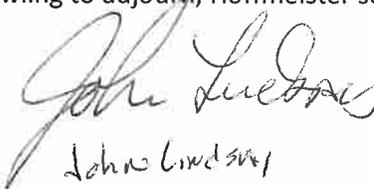
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8. Adjournment

- Motion made by Dowling to adjourn; Hoffmeister seconded; meeting was adjourned at 7:14pm.

Respectfully Submitted:

Sharon Radtke, Chair
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John Lindsay