



"Our mission is to enhance, promote and support quality recreation facilities and opportunities for all residents of the community."

**MINUTES – SPECIAL MEETING
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2016**

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Chairman Stephen Bordua called the special meeting of the Thompson Recreation Commission to order at 7:04 PM in Merrill Seney Room.

Members Present: Stephen Bordua, Albert Lafleur, Cynthia Antos, Sylvie Hanshaw and Cathy Thomas.

Members absent: Jeanne Dery, Robert Monahan and Thomas Jourdan.

Staff Present: Audrey Witkowski and Angela Hachey.

Secretary's Report

1. **Cynthia Thomas moved and Al Lafleur seconded the motion to accept the minutes of the January 27, 2016 regular meeting as presented.**

Steve Bordua—yes; Cathy Thomas—yes; Cindy Antos—yes; Al Lafleur—yes; Sylvie Hanshaw—yes.

The motion carried.

Treasurer's Report

1. The General Fund Budget Report was not prepared.
2. The Miscellaneous Revolving Account Report was reviewed.
 - a. Angela Hachey looked into a breakdown of costs for Community Day. She found that a check had been accidentally placed into the ski program. The issue has been resolved and the funds adjusted.

Correspondence

1. Phillip "Firewalker" Polier sent the Commission a letter thanking them for allowing his requests at Duhamel Pond and also requesting that the memorial markers and pinwheels he had installed at Duhamel Pond be put back. Angela Hachey replied back to Mr. Polier explaining that the Recreation Commission had previously decided they did not want the memorial markers in the park, and they would therefore not be reinstalling them.

Director's Report

1. Angela Hachey reviewed her report and answered questions.
 - a. Thompson will be joining with Putnam and Pomfret for a senior luncheon at Matulaitis. In the future, Angela Hachey would like Thompson to collaborate with the surrounding towns to plan senior events.
 - b. Angela Hachey is working on utilizing social media for advertisement. She also plans to use social media for feedback following a program.
 - c. The Commission discussed food options for the Meet and Greet and will look into possibly having it catered. Advertising for the event was also discussed. To get the most publicity the commission will use social media, fliers, student Friday folders, email blasts and a press release.

Old Business

1. Park Committee Report
 - a. Steve Bordua sent the Commission the powerpoint that had been used in the previous presentation to the Board of Selectmen. It has not been updated in 10

years. Steve Bordua suggested the Commission wait until the spring when new pictures could be taken.

2. The No Smoking Ordinance has been written up. The Commission suggested having signs printed that could be put up during Recreation Commission sponsored events.
3. The Commission looked over the applications for the Aide to the Recreation Director and agreed on the top 4 applicants. Angela Hachey will set up interviews for next week.

New Business

1. The capitol budget was reviewed. The budget allocated for Duhamels Pond is for site improvements, not just planting.
2. The Aide Applications and Interviews were discussed under Old Business, line 2.
3. The budget presentation to the Board of Selectmen has not been scheduled.

Citizens' Comments

1. Sylvie Hanshaw asked Angela Hachey why there is not a second bus for the After School Program Friday field trip. Angela Hachey explained that it was because she did not have enough students a week prior to the trip to book a second bus. Any student who signed up after the bus had been booked was placed on a waiting list.

Announcements

1. The next regular meeting will be held Wednesday, March 23, 2016 at 7 PM in the Merrill Seney Room at the Town Hall.

Adjournment

1. Chairman Bordua adjourned the meeting at 8:48 PM.

Audrey Witkowski
Recording Secretary