



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

**MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 26, 2014**

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Chairman Stephen Bordua called the regular meeting of the Thompson Recreation Commission to order at 7:00 PM in the Merrill Seney Room at the Town Hall.

Members Present: Cynthia Antos, Stephen Bordua, Jeanne Dery, Sylvie Hanshaw, Thomas Jourdan, Al LaFleur, and Cathy Thomas.

Members Absent: Robert Monahan.

Staff Present: Ida Ransom and Renee Waldron.

Secretary's Report

1. **Al LaFleur moved and Cathy Thomas seconded the motion to accept the minutes of the January 22, 2014 meeting as presented.**
Cynthia Antos – Yes; Stephen Bordua – Abstain; Jeanne Dery – Yes; Sylvie Hanshaw – Yes; Thomas Jourdan – No; Al LaFleur – Yes; Cathy Thomas – Yes.
The motion carried.
2. **Al La Fleur moved and Cindy Antos seconded the motion to accept the minutes of the February 4, 2014 meeting as presented.**
Cynthia Antos – Yes; Stephen Bordua – Abstain; Jeanne Dery – Yes; Sylvie Hanshaw – Yes; Thomas Jourdan – No; Al LaFleur – Yes; Cathy Thomas – Abstain.
The motion carried.

Treasurer's Report

1. The General Fund Budget Report was reviewed and looks fine.
2. The Miscellaneous Revolving Account was reviewed.
 - a. The Youth Basketball line item will be over because this is the year that Thompson hosts the annual tournament and because of a large custodial bill.
 - b. The custodial service billing was discussed in detail. Renee Waldron was instructed, in the future, to ask for an estimated bill in advance of events and to request that the custodial staff provide punched time cards.
 - c. It was the consensus that it would be best to look at various options in regards to paying for the custodial services in the future.

Correspondence

1. From Ida Ransom, dated February 28, 2014, to First Selectman Paul Lenky her resignation as recording secretary for Recreation and other town entities to be effective May 1, 2014. The job was posted in the March 25, 2014 Shopper's Guide.

Director's Report

1. Renee Waldron reviewed her report and answered questions.
 - a. Renee Waldron confirmed that Recreation currently has no activities at Koinonia.
 - b. Recreation will be featured on the cover of the next Town of Thompson Annual Report.
 - c. During training in April, Renee Waldron will be addressing several staff issues that have recently surfaced.
 - d. The Easter Egg hunt will be held Saturday April 12.

Old Business

1. Park Committee
 - a. The funding to purchase the vacant lot in the River Mill Complex has been approved. This funding was authorized by a special act of the State legislature and is being administered by DEEP.
 - b. An Eagle Scout has submitted a plan to provide several picnic tables and benches as well as updating the existing path with stone dust at Duhamel Pond. Funding will come from the capital expenditures available to Recreation in this year's budget. He plans to have the project completed this spring.
 - 1) **Cathy Thomas moved and Jeanne Dery seconded the motion to approve the plan with the stipulation that he obtain price quotes on the materials he will need from three vendors. The motion carried unanimously.**
 - 2) Chairman Bordua and Renee Waldron will meet with the Eagle Scout to provide additional direction.
2. Quaddick State Park
 - a. The bus permits for this year are in place.
 - b. Renee Waldron, several Commission members, Representative Danny Rovero and Senator Donald Williams will meet with DEEP to resolve Thompson Recreation's future use of Quaddick State Park.

New Business

1. Renee Waldron will research the ski programs in the area, including Wachusett Mountain and one in Shrewsbury, to see if discount passes might be available for Thompson Recreation participants.
2. Renee Waldron will investigate the possibility of providing Purely Rec activities and/or field trips on days that the schools have professional days.

Citizens Comments: None

Announcements

1. The next regular meeting will be held Wednesday, April 23, 2014 at 7 PM in the Merrill Seney Room at the Town Hall.

Adjournment

1. Chairman Bordua adjourned the meeting at 9:07 PM.

Ida Ransom
Recording Secretary