

Franklin Recreation Meeting Minutes* [DRAFT]

May (the) 4th (be with you), 2026 @ 7pm

Franklin Town Offices and on Zoom

Attendance: Allison Franklin, Dianna Benoit-Kittell, Lissy Bachelder

Virtual Guests: Cayley Renaudette and Elizabeth Capsey

Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 7:05pm by Allison.

Public Comment:

- Notes from Field Prep Day – label outfield fences (baseball left side/ right side, etc) so next year putting them up will be faster.
 - Maybe next year have a “Foreman” to direct “traffic” and tell people what to do.
- Clearly label speed bump – maybe use one of the yellow corrugated signs and stakes (from the Chase Around the Lake).

Agenda Amendments: Move Little League - Food Sales to the top of the list to accommodate our virtual guest, Elizabeth.

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes: Moved by Allison to accept the minutes as written. Seconded by Dianna. Carried unanimously to accept.

Little League Coordinator

- Umpires
 - An umpire has been found for tomorrow’s Minor’s baseball game.
 - Ideas: Enosburg high school students that need volunteer hours, MVU Varsity baseball coach, etc.
 - People have not been responding to inquiries. We need volunteers!!
 - Will send weekly emails on what games we need an ump for.

Field Management

- Home Scheduling/Lining
 - Board members signed Jacob’s contract.
 - On Monday’s Jacob has to line the fields right after school. This will be communicated to coaches that fields won’t be available for practice.
- Billy Deuso is finishing the baseball field backstop netting/fencing. He asked for us to sign a form stating that he bought the materials and donated his time, etc for tax purposes.

Treasurer's Report: No report was provided so last meetings numbers are below.

- Checking: \$33,029.03
- Fund Balance: \$21,593.32
- LL Balance: \$4,181.05
- Bills were reviewed and approved by board members.

Moved by Allison to accept the treasurer's report. Seconded by Lissy. Carried unanimously to accept.

Grants/Fundraising/Sponsorship

- Picnic Table and Sign: Olivia's Memorial
 - Alicia reached out to us about purchasing something. They gave us \$1,000 donation from last year's *Ride for Olivia* event. She sent us some links for plaques on Etsy and ideas on stain colors.
 - The board googled some plastic/weatherproof tables in purple/pink colors. Found one on Amazon for \$950.
 - Moved by Allison to purchase the purple picnic table on Amazon for \$950. Seconded by Dianna. Carried unanimously to accept.
 - Will send the link to Alicia for her final approval and ask that she pick/design a plaque and we will reimburse her.
- Lake Monsters advertising
 - Allison has scheduled an email to go to the school and will get some copies printed for around town.

Athletics

- Little League
 - Food Sales
 - Elizabeth is willing to do a food sale before May 14th.
 - Looking at the schedule May 13th looks like the best night (3 games) - cook hotdogs, chips, drinks - \$6 meal deal.
 - If weather is nice, we may do ice cream cones (Dianna has ice cream in her freezer from the Parking Lot Party).
 - Dianna has the hotdogs in her freezer and will pick up buns. She will also bring condiments, tin foil, money bag, etc.
- Crossroads
 - Looking to add soccer after school practices and coordinate with coaches as soon as we know.
 - Allison will bring a bunch of discussed questions to Beth Ann and see how this could possibly benefit sports practices.

Events

- Easter Egg Hunt recap
 - o Dianna will reach out to Chelsea about where the eggs are and have them placed in the shed.
- Memorial Day
 - o Who is in charge of Little League kids walking in the parade? Should we have Cayley send an email blast letting people know their kid can walk with their team?
 - o Lissy will put together a “Save the Date” summer events flyer like last year.
- Summer Events List
 - Lake Monster games – 7/5 and 7/30
 - Haston Library and Rec Collab (Due North Winery event) – July 12th
 - Soccer registration – open June 1st and close ¾ and 5/6 teams 8/3
 - Field hockey camp – August TBD
 - Open Board positions
 - o Reach out to Nate Poore about another Hunter Safety course?
- Winery Fundraiser: July 12th
 - o Wednesday 5/6 the Library board is meeting so more questions will be answered in terms of food, etc.
 - o If weather is nice we could provide cotton candy or ice cream cones.

New Business

- Next Meeting Dates
 - o June 1, June 29, August 10

Executive Session: None

Adjourned at 9:21pm.

Submitted by Lissy Bachelder.

Our next meeting will be held on June 1, 2026, at 7pm in the Franklin Town Offices.

*Minutes are not yet approved by all board members; therefore this remains a draft until the next board meeting.