

Franklin Recreation Meeting June 30, 2025

Stephanie called the meeting to order at 7:01p.m.

In attendance were: Stephanie Ho, Laura Larose, Lissy Bachelder, Dianna Kittell, Ashley Flood, and Allison Franklin.

Agenda Review/Amendments

- Adding an Executive Session at the end of the meeting.

Public Comment

- None

Rec Coordinator

Job Descriptions and Contract Discussion and Review

- Stephanie will send out job postings and will clarify the hourly pay vs stipend
- Possibly use a donation that we will be receiving to purchase something for the playground in honor of Olivia.

Field Management

Baseball Field Project Updates

- Stephanie met Brendan at the field and he said the field fence needs to come down for field work. Rec members will meet on 7/1 in the morning to take care of the fence and mark corners of the soccer field.
- We would like to purchase another side line fence for the 1st base line of the softball field. The budget will be reviewed to see if we are able to make the purchase/ The order should be placed in January/February for the next season.
- Will reach out to Lindsay to see if the women's league wants the fence back up.

Fall Prep

- Soccer goals need to get moved and start prepping the field.
- Shed needs organization.
- Shed painting late summer/will need stain.

Meeting Minutes

Lissy motioned to approve the meeting minutes from the June 2nd meeting. Stephanie seconded. The motion passed.

Treasurer's Report

- Bills were reviewed and approved.
- Balances were reviewed
 - Fund Balance \$27,487.87
 - Little League \$4,181.05

Stephanie motioned to approve the treasurer's report. Lissy seconded. The motion passed.

Credit Card Policy

- Still waiting for guidance on the policy.

Grants/Fundraising/Sponsorship

- Grants
 - No updates
- Fundraising
 - Lake Monsters games are coming up (July 11th and July 20th). We will continue to advertise.
- Sponsorship
 - One more sponsorship was received for soccer (t-shirts)
 - Allison reviewed information from Vermont League of Cities and Towns (VLCT) to assist in future grant applications. They provide a list of grants and have people that can help apply.

Old Business

Recaps:

- Little League -
 - All Stars in still underway
 - NWLL board will be meeting shortly after the All Star season to start planning the 2026 season and how next year will look.
 - Discussions around NWLL Jamboree. What worked and what might be better for next year.
- Chase Around the Lake
 - 26 participants, \$780 income on registration fees.
 - Lots of positive feedback about our new location at the State Park this year.
 - Suggestions for the boat race:
 - make it closer and more visible to spectators.
 - Purchasing large bright flags to help mark the route.
 - The boating portion will need to be revamped next year.
 - Add to a website called race signups to advertise.
- 9th Grade Community Service (held June 11 and 12th)
 - It worked well and we can use them again next year.

- Hunter Safety Class
 - The first night went well. 2nd day is the field day on July 29th from 8am - 3pm
 - A couple have dropped out and it was discussed if we should fill those spots and how to offer.
 - Ashley will send out a reminder email prior to the field day.

Run/Walk Group

- Brenna is willing to head the walking group on Sundays at 7pm. An email blast will be sent to advertise.

Parking Lot Party (7/31 @ 5pm)

- Lawn Games;
- C&M Concessions 5pm-8pm;
- 50/50 raffle;
- Treats available for purchase;
- Donations accepted for Dick Wrights Pub and Franklin Rec.

Field Hockey Camp (8/4 - 8/8 evenings)

- We will help advertise when we receive more information from Emma.

Community Dinner (August 16th)

- The band is booked.
- Available rec members will help.

Apparel Order

- Still working on the order

Open Meeting Law Training

- The 45 min training has been taken by rec members.

Soccer

- Numbers are very low. We will continue to share and email blast.
- Some games have been scheduled.

MVSD AD

- The position is still open and has been posted for all three towns. No one has been hired for the position to date.

Other Old Business

None

New Business

Strategic Planning - not yet discussed

ByLaw Review - Adjusting the planning meetings to March instead of July.

Recreation Board Officer Assignment - pushed to July meeting

Other New Business

None

Executive Session

- Stephanie motioned to move to Executive session at 8:28pm to discuss the rec coordinator positions, contracts and personnel matters.
- Board members discussed adding performance reviews and self assessments to the contracts. In addition, Stephanie will ask Ashley if she would like to extend her current contract through the month of July at current pay rate.

Executive session ended at 9:37pm

The meeting was adjourned at 9:38p.m.

The next meeting will be on July 28th 7:00 p.m.