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**Minutes- Regular Meeting
Wednesday, January 24, 2018**

Vice Chairman Cynthia Antos called the regular meeting of the Thompson Recreation Commission to order at 7:01pm in the Merrill Seney Room at the Town Hall

Members Present: Cynthia Antos, Bob Monahan, Thomas Jourdan, Diane Keefe, Kimberly Prescott, Donna Godzik, and Steve Bordua (at 7:19pm)

Staff Present: Angela Newell

Secretary’s Report

- 1. Bob Monahan moved and Kimberly Prescott seconded the motion to accept the December 6, 2018 regular meeting minutes as presented. The motion carried.**

Treasurer’s Report

1. The General Fund Budget Report was reviewed.
 - a. Angela Newell explained the part time recreation salary is over budget due to an error that was made during the previous budget process. The amount in the budget does not include the part time summer help but will be restored in this year’s budget process.
 - b. Items that were temporarily moved to the
2. The Miscellaneous Revolving Account was reviewed.
 - a. Revenue from the Family Skating program was taken in, and will be paid out in the next billing cycle
 - b. The Basketball program is still underway and the balance will be used to pay for Referees and Custodial Fees.
 - c. The Purely Recreation program has just begun a new session and has taken in Revenue that will be used for the payroll and supplies.

Correspondence

1. A notice from the Selectmen’s Office to the Board and Commission Members giving the option to create a town email was given out.
2. Cynthia Antos will get a card for Audrey Witkowski for her many years of service as the Recording Secretary for the Commission.

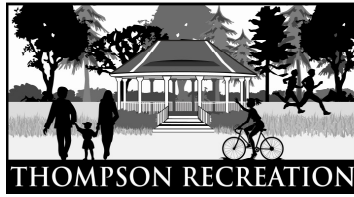
Director’s Report

1. Angela Newell reviewed her report and answered questions.
 - a. Angela Newell is awaiting the appointment of a new DPW Director to move forward with the installation of the DogPods in the park.
 - b. Contact was made with the Superintendent of Schools to look into inviting residential senior citizens to a rehearsal of a spring concert.
 - c. An idea came up for a March Wellness and Health Fair for senior citizens.
 - d. The Thompson Congregation Church has offered to provide volunteers during the Easter Egg Hunt to run additional activities, the event will be covered under the Town Insurance. It was Suggested to close both roads and see if the Fire Department would provide trucks to help slow down traffic
 - e. Angela Newell is looking to partner with surrounding towns to fill an overnight trip to Niagara Falls for fall 2018.

Old Business

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1. Angela Reviewed the Park Improvement Purchases
 - a. Steve Bordua suggested we have safety inspections for all parks set up for spring
 - b. There was brief discussion about the purchase of a skating rink to go on the field at riverside. Volunteers would have to maintain the rink and help keep notice about the status of the rink.

New Business

1. The Commission members reviewed the updated Emergency Plan that has been updated with the help from the towns Emergency Management Director.
 - c. **Cynthia Antos moved and Bob Monahan seconded to approve as written the updated Emergency policy. The motion carried.**
2. 2018-19 Grant Applications
 - d. The TMHS Hockey club did not run last year due to low participation numbers, the individual running that program has stepped down but there is an individual who has expressed interest in helping to restore it. Angela Newell is willing to step in and help open it up to the general public. There was discussion on
 - e. The commission had discussion on not approving the TMHS Hockey Club Grant because the program will not be taking place this year.
 - f. **Steve Bordua moved and Bob Monahan seconded to approve the NECONN soccer at 1200 Grant. The motion carried.**
 - g. **Steve Bordua moved and Bob Monahan second to accept the grants as submitted with the following exceptions, to reduce the NECONN soccer club grant as the submitted \$1,400 to \$1,200 and reduce the TMHS Hockey club grant from \$665 to \$0. The motion carried.**
3. Recreation Budget Workshop
 - h. Angela Newell suggests that the 10 hour summer position that will need to be restored to the budget should be increased to 15 hours.
 - i. Thompson Together has increased their contribution to Community Day by \$100, Angela Newell also suggested we increase the contribution from the Department to continue to match them.
 - j. **Kimberly Prescott moved and Donna Godzik seconded to increase the Thompson Community Day budget by \$100 to a total of \$900. The motion carried.**
 - k. **Steve Bordua moved and Diane Keefe seconded to push the budget forward as the 2017-18 adopted budget with the increased hours to the recreation part time payroll and increase of \$100 to community day line. The motion carried.**
4. Commission Secretary Nomination
 - l. Cynthia Antos added under new business to approve a new secretary for the Commission
 - m. Angela Newell will look into confirming if the commission needs to fill these roles when there are not duties that need to be fulfilled. The item was tabled until next meeting.

Citizens Comments

Announcements

1. The next regular meeting will be held Wednesday, February 21, 2018 at 7 PM in the Merrill Seney Room at the Town Hall

Adjournment

1. Vice Chairman Cynthia Antos adjourned the meeting at 8: 36 PM.

Angela Newell
Recreation Director