



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

**MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2014**

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Vice-Chairman Cynthia Antos called the regular meeting of the Thompson Recreation Commission to order at 7:20 PM in the Merrill Seney Room at the Town Hall.

Members Present: Cynthia Antos, Stephen Bordua, Sylvie Hanshaw, Thomas Jourdan, Albert LaFleur, Robert Monahan and Cathy Thomas.

Members absent: Jeanne Dery.

Staff Present: Audrey Witkowski and Renee Waldron.

Cathy Thomas moved and Robert Monahan seconded the motion to suspend with the order stated on the agenda and move Citizens’ Comments to be first on the agenda. The motion carried.

Citizens’ Comments

Beth Goldsmith, president of Thompson Together Inc., reported on the progress of the River Mill Village Playground. The lot has been cleared and fencing and mulch installed. The donated playground equipment has been set up and a swingset has been purchased. Thompson Together is currently looking into three additional pieces of playground equipment and would like the Recreation Commission to consider purchasing a Climb and Discover Cave for the playground.

Secretary’s Report

**Cathy Thomas moved and Robert Monahan seconded the motion to accept the minutes of the July 23, 2014 meeting as presented.
The motion carried.**

Treasurer’s Report

1. The General Fund Budget Report was reviewed.
 - a. 38 out of 40 tickets were sold for the Big E trip.
 - b. The number of children that attended Adventure Camp this summer was more than proposed, requiring additional bus fees. Therefore the actual costs are higher than the proposed costs.
2. The Miscellaneous Revolving Account was reviewed.

Correspondence

Director’s Report

1. Community Day has over 50 booths registered this year.
2. The yearbooks for summer camp have not been decided on yet.
3. Members of the Recreation Commission met with the DEEP Commissioner and Senator Williams in Hartford to discuss the continuation of Quaddick State Park as the location for Summer Camp.

Old Business

1. Park Committee Report—
 - a. The Eagle Scout projects are complete with the exception of the benches at Duhamel Pond being secured by the highway department.

- b. The footbridge in Riverside Park has been completed.
 - c. Beth Goldsmith gave an update on the status of the River Mill Playground.
 - d. A subcommittee will meet to investigate the public interest and possible sites for a skate park.
1. The Recreation Commission is still waiting for an answer as to whether Quaddick State Park will continue to be used for the Summer Camp.
 2. Ski Program for the Public—No update.
 3. Professional Days and Field Trips for Purely Rec.—No update.

New Business: None

Announcements

1. The next regular meeting will be held Wednesday, October 22, 2014 at 7 PM in the Merrill Seney Room at the Town Hall.

Adjournment

1. Vice-Chairman Antos adjourned the meeting at 8:46 PM.



Audrey Witkowski
Recording Secretary