



**PARKS AND RECREATION MEETING MINUTES**  
*December 14, 2020 (Held on Gotomeeting)*

Members Present: Ray Boutin, Kristi McAllister, Sara Haskins, Stephanie Hoffman, Allison Link, Judy Bickford

Guests: Tricia Follert

Sara Haskins called the meeting to order at 4:35 pm.

**I. AGENDA CHANGES OR ADDITIONS**

- none

**II. COMMUNITY CONCERNS**

- none

**III. OLD BUSINESS**

**Skatepark**

Alison Link gave an update on the skatepark subcommittee. They just launched new outreach to the community on social media and thru fliers at the school. Already 10 people have expressed interest in joining the cause. Alison asked the committee members to help spread the word.

**IV. NEW BUSINESS**

**Winter programs**

The Committee discussed hiring a professional trainer to offer a series of free socially distant outside health and wellness events for the community this winter. ***Judy Bickford made a motion to hire Jessica Boutin to lead health & wellness activities this winter for an amount not to exceed \$500. Sara Haskins seconded the motion. Motion passed.*** Another idea discussed was to ask the family center to offer walks for families especially focused on the younger ages on Wednesdays when schools do remote learning. Tricia informed the group that due to COVID-19 the community ice skate rink would not be installed this year. The Board decided to hold off planning any other winter activities until the future due to COVID-19.

- **Winter Intern program**

The Committee decided not to host a second youth internship program to promote winter recreation activities at this time due to the restrictions imposed by COVID-19.

- **Annual report**

Sara Haskins reminded the Committee that the annual report is due to the Administrative office by the first week of January. Steph offered to write a draft to share with the group.

V. **BOARD CONCERNS**

- **Ray Boutin:** none
- **John Duffy:** not present
- **Sara Haskins:** none
- **Stephanie Hoffman:** inquired about trash cans/dog waste containers for the Dog Park.
- **Alison Link:** Asked if someone could share the mission document with her.
- **Kristi McAllister:** none
- **Judy Bickford:** Gave an update on the webinar about the Vermont Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation Outdoor Recreation Project grants she attended.
- **Valerie Valcour:** not present
- **Kasey Longe:** not present

VI. **OTHER BUSINESS**

- none

VII. **ADJOURN**

*Motion made by Judy Bickford to adjourn at 5:25PM. Motion seconded by Stephanie Hoffman Motion carried. (6/0)*

Respectfully submitted and filed this 15<sup>th</sup> day of December 2020

Sara Haskins, scribe

*Please note all minutes are in draft form and are subject to approval at the next Parks & Rec meeting.*