



**PARKS AND RECREATION MEETING MINUTES**  
*March 8, 2021 (Held on Gotomeeting)*

Members Present: Kristi McAllister, Sara Haskins, Stephanie Hoffman, Alison Link, Judy Bickford

Guests: Tricia Follert, Kristen Connelly

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

**I. AGENDA CHANGES OR ADDITIONS**

Protocol and procedures and review constitution of the Board

**II. APPROVE MINUTES**

**Kristi McAllister made a motion to approve the minutes February 8, 2021. Judy Bickford seconded the motion. Motion passed 5/0.**

**III. COMMUNITY CONCERNS**

None

**IV. SUB-COMMITTEE UPDATES**

*Dog Park*

The Committee briefly discussed hosting a grand opening event this summer. Sara shared there was a request to create a facebook group for the dog park for users to connect. Tricia will look into connecting a group onto the MoRec facebook page. The Committee discussed whether or not to have water installed at the dog park and/or any additional features that should be installed to close out the grant. Tricia will look into the possibly of having water installed in a more central location close to the playground.

*Skate Park*

Alison reported that Jess & Amy met with Town to identify possible locations for the skate park. They also met with some private land owners and the Lamoille Family Center to explore other possible locations. They have also formed a fundraising committee and are investigating possible grant options.

*Summer Camp Recreation Program*

Kristi shared that the school is redoing the gym floors this summer so she has been verbally told that summer rec camp will not be able to use the space. She will contact the school and ask for a decision in writing about the availability of the gym. The Committee brainstormed other potential locations.

**V. NEW BUSINESS**

*Covid friendly activities/ Bike Safety Day/ Yearly calendar of activities/goals & projects*  
Stephanie shared the idea to create a 6 month recreation activity calendar. Each month would focus around a different theme and there would be 2-3 activities per month. Bike safety could be the month of May and the Dog Park celebration could be incorporated to a summer month. Kristen shared that the Conservation Commission has a Scavenger hunt and an activity to find the largest tree in town for Arbor Day that she can share. Stephanie is going to bring a working draft to the next meeting.

**VI. OLD BUSINESS**

*MCC Photo Contest*

Kristin gave an update on the Conservation Commissions photo contest. The submission deadline is August 13, 2021. They hope to display the winning photographs at Roctoberfest. They have gathered some prizes but are still in the need for 3<sup>rd</sup> place prizes. Tricia will ask MACC if they are willing to collaborate and donate the 3<sup>rd</sup> place prizes. MCC also needs to finalize the photo release waiver and will need help with promoting the contest.

*Protocol and procedures and review constitution of the Board*

Stephanie shared with the Board that she recently learned about procedures and protocol surrounding online meetings. Sara also recently learned about the VLCT model policies. Stephanie inquired about the timeline for electing officers. Sara will share the current bylaws outlining the election of officers, duties and term limits.

**VII. BOARD CONCERNS**

- **Ray Boutin:** not present
- **John Duffy:** not present
- **Sara Haskins:** There is currently about \$4,000 left in the budget that ends on June 30, 2021. She asked current members to bring ideas for any projects that require funding to the April meeting.
- **Stephanie Hoffman:** none
- **Alison Link:** none
- **Kristi McAllister:** none
- **Judy Bickford:** Is excited for the recreation possibilities included in the draft town plan.
- **Valerie Valcour:** not present
- **Kasey Longe:** not present

**VIII. OTHER BUSINESS**

- none

**IX. ADJOURN**

*Motion made by Judy Bickford to adjourn at 5:50PM. Motion seconded Kristi McAllister Motion carried. (6/0)*

Respectfully submitted and filed this 12<sup>th</sup> day of March 2021

Sara Haskins, scribe

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