



Minutes of the Parks & Recreation Commission's Meeting

Wednesday, September 13, 2023

Salisbury Town Hall | Conference Room | 5 Beach Road, Salisbury, MA

Present:

Ronalee Ray-Parrott
Mike Roberge
Mike Colburn

Absent:

Sean Timmons

Also present:

Jennifer Roketenetz, Parks, Recreation, and Youth Empowerment
Donna Keefe, Community Member

Call to order:

Mike Roberge called the meeting to order in Town Hall Conference Room at 6:45

Acceptance of Minutes:

Motion by Ronalee Ray-Parrott to accept the Minutes from July 12, 2023, Second by Commissioner Mike Roberge, unanimously voted to approve.

Income / Expense Report:

Roketenetz presented a monthly income and expense report. Unanimously accepted.

New Business:

- Field Use Policy

5th Commissioner to be added upon approval of the Attorney General.

Commission decided to table discussion and decisions regarding policy updates until the addition of the new Commissioner. Candidates are to submit a letter of interest to Town's Moderator, Jerry Klima.

- \$25,000 State Allocation
 - Ray-Parrott proposed using funds towards Disc Golf. Ray-Parrott will discuss/research with those in the sport best options for Partridge Brook Park
- Skatepark Rules
 - Trash is carry in / carry out.
 - Ray-Parrott will reach out to Austin for suggested rules. Roketenetz to create "suggest rules for the skatepark."
- Beach Skate Park
 - The Commission would like to further discuss with the community regarding new use to the old skate park. Some ideas include: Pickleball, dog park, splash pad, beginner skate park, basketball. Donna Keefe, Community Member and Cultural Council recently planned an event to include feedback. Her responses are similar to those expressed by the Commision.
- Tree at PBP
 - Roketenetz requests a shade tree for the playground at Partridge Brook Park. Colburn and Roberge will relocate the trees at Memorial Field.
- Parks & Recreation: addition of Youth Empowerment
 - Salisbury will be forming a coalition to support our youth. All interested parties are invited and encouraged to attend the kick off meeting on October 17th at 10AM
- EBikes on Rail Trails
 - Roketenetz and Ray-Parrott have formed a committee including Jerry Klima and Chief Fowler to discuss improving safety on our trails. Education, signage, and patrols.
- Concession Trailer
 - Original bid withdrawn due to omission of deposit, Roketenetz adjusted bid documents to clarify that the Town of Salisbury will issue a deposit on this equipment.
- Open Space
 - Updates to the Towns Open Space Plan are due November 2023
- Park Updates
 - PBP
 - Lions
 - Beach Field
 - Memorial Field
 - Beach Skate Park
 - Town Common
- Events
 - Salisbury Lions host September 11th: September 10th
 - Lazy J Ranch host Wild Wild West / Horse Powered Reading: October 1st
 - Salisbury Days: September 22,23,& 24th
 - Scarecrows: October 1 - 31st

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- Trunk or Treat: October 26th
 - Veteran's Day: November 11th (Saturday)
 - Tree Lighting: November 28th (Tuesday)
 - Holiday Market: December 9th

Old Business:**Adjournment:**

Motion by Ronalee Ray-Parrott, Second by Commissioner Mike Roberge, unanimously voted to adjourn at 8:15 PM.

Documents provided at meeting:

Minutes of July 12, 2023
Income / Expense report

Respectfully submitted:

Jennifer Roketenetz, Parks, Recreation, and Youth Empowerment