

Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes

March 7, 2023

Attendees Present: Mitch Bregnard, Chairman; Linda McCabe, Clerk  
Ed Westhaver, Mike Weber and Chris Leard  
Sherri Gurnon; Parks & Recreation Director  
Mary Sellner; Assistant Director

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1. The meeting was called to order at 6:00PM.

2. Minutes of the Recreation Commission Meeting from January 31, 2023.

**Motion:** By Ed Westhaver to approve the Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes from January 31, 2023 as written. Seconded by Chris Leard.  
Motion passes, 5-0.

3. Visitors:

**6:05pm:** Gretchen Shaughnessy, Matt Zajac, Liane Denham, John Brandt, Pamela Rieth and Rosemary Wiseman, participants in the Mansfield Co-Op Garden program attended the meeting to voice their concerns for improvements to the garden area and program. John Brandt spoke on their behalf. They had concerns on limiting the number of plots one person has and enforcing the guidelines that are handed out to each gardener at sign up. In addition, Sherri Gurnon stated that she would arrange a meeting time with DPW at the garden site with John Brandt to address the maintenance concerns of the garden area.

4. Facilities:

-Sherri Gurnon informed the Recreation Commissioners of the Garden Club's request to have their garden plot fee waived. They have Girls Scouts use the plot to put in a Pumpkin Patch.

**Motion:** By Linda McCabe to approve the fee be waived for the Garden Club's Community Garden Plot. Seconded by Ed Westhaver.  
Motion passes, 5-0.

5. Old Business:

-No new updates on 50 West Street.

-No new updates on the Memorial Park Master Plan.

-Ms. Gurnon updated the Recreation Commissioners on the MHS Scoreboard. The School Committee voted to not purchase a new scoreboard for the high school, therefore, the old scoreboard will not be donated to the Parks and Recreation to be placed at Memorial Park.

6. New Business:

-Elections were held for 2023 Recreation Chairman and Clerk.

**Motion:** By Ed Westhaver to nominate Mitch Bregnard for another term as the Recreation Commission Chairman. Seconded by Chris Leard.  
Motion passes, 4-0-1.

**Motion:** By Ed Westhaver to nominate Linda McCabe for another term as the Recreation Commission Clerk. Seconded by Chris Leard. Motion passes, 4-0-1.

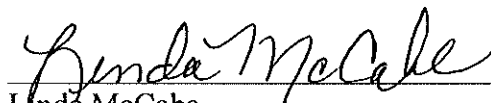
- Sherri Gurnon apprised the Recreation Commissioners of the 2022 Program Financial Review. They were given a copy of the financial statement of 2022.
- Ms. Gurnon notified the Commissioners of MYS request for fee-based Sunday permits. Mike Weber stated that the Recreation Commissioners are not interested in allowing a fee-based permit to MYS at this time.
- Sherri Gurnon stated that a self-service kayak rental company has been emailing her regarding putting a kayak kiosk at Fultons Pond. Ed Westhaver asked that they send a package on how it works and the Recreation Commissioners would have it sent to Town Counsel to review. Mr. Westhaver had concerns on how it is run and the liability around it because it is not monitored.
- Ms. Gurnon announced that the 02048 Egg Hunt is April 1 at 10am if the Commissioners interested in attending.

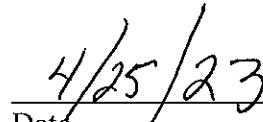
7. **Next Commission Meeting: Tuesday, April 25, 2023 6:00 PM.**

8. **Motion: By Mike Weber to adjourn. Seconded by Chris Leard.  
Motion passes, 5-0.**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:18PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

  
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Linda McCabe  
Recreation Commission Clerk

  
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