

**TOWN OF SALEM
RECREATION COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, AUGUST 17, 2020 – 6:00 P.M.
VOLUNTEER PARK (FORSYTH ROAD)**

PRESENT

Alan Maziarz, Chairperson
Art Bergman
Mary Jean Blezard (6:09 p.m. via speakerphone)
Mary Durkee
Crispin Fresco-Hawes
Teri Natoli

ABSENT

Jessica Fletcher

1. Call to Order

Chairman Maziarz called the meeting to order at 6:08 p.m.

2. Act on a Motion to Approve the Minutes of July 20, 2020

M/S/C: Natoli/Fresco-Hawes, to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of July 20, 2020, with the following amendment:

Page 1, Item 6, 1st paragraph, Last sentence:

Due to event and program cancellations, only ~~43.5%~~ *41.2%* of their
FY2019/20 budget was expended.

Discussion: Chairman Maziarz stated that the expended amount includes the purchase of the disc golf baskets and Jaypro purchase order. Voice vote, 4-0-

1. Voting in Favor: Commissioners Durkee, Fresco-Hawes, Natoli, and Maziarz. Voting in Opposition: None. Voting in Abstention: Commissioner Bergman.

3. Adjustments to the Agenda – *none*

4. Public Comment/Guests/Correspondence – *none*

5. Report on the Budget: Alan Maziarz

Chairman Maziarz reported that no funds have been expended for the current fiscal year. He proposed the possibility of adjusting/re-allocating their budget amounts for the next fiscal year based upon their expenditure of funds during the previous fiscal year.

Two (2) benches for the tennis courts, a squeegee, and two (2) basketball rims were ordered and delivered. The items will be temporarily stored in the Round Hill Road Recreation Shed, which was recently cleaned and cleared.

6. Recreation Program Coordinator's Report: Agnes Miyuki

Due to the cost, Program Coordinator Miyuki took the liberty to not hold the proposed Summer Movie Night event at this time. The cost of the event, which would include the movie and screen rental and set-up, would be approximately \$725.00 to \$835.00 (\$375.00 - \$450.00 for movie licensing, depending upon the title, and \$350.00 to \$385.00 for a 16' inflatable screen, accommodating up to 75 guests).

Tennis with Anne Santoro has started with four (4) participants. Upcoming programs include the Dog Obedience Class, which will begin next Wednesday, August 26, and Yoga at the Park on Monday evenings. One registration has been received for the Supertots' Hoopstertots program, which will begin in mid-September.

8. Public Works Report: Don Bourdeau – *no report*

9. Unfinished Business

a. Summer Concert

Commissioner Natoli suggested the possibility of hosting an Astronomy Night in lieu of a Summer Concert. An Owl Walk was also proposed.

b. Disc Golf Progress

The disc golf baskets are expected to arrive at the end of the month; they will be stored in either the Round Hill Road Shed or the Zemko barn.

Chairman Maziarz will contact Public Works Director Bourdeau regarding the location of the brush pile drop off area, which is also the proposed location for the first hole.

Due to a scheduling conflict, Disc Golf Consultant Shawn Callaghan was unable to attend this evening's meeting. A tour of the proposed course is planned for their next meeting.

c. Salem Field Visit

1) Forsyth Volunteer Road

Lacrosse Nets – The possibility of purchasing lacrosse nets was briefly discussed. The nets may be anchored, if necessary.

Pavilion – The placement of the proposed Pavilion was noted.

Soccer Nets – Clips and/or zipties will be purchased to fix the sagging net on one of the soccer goals.

Trail – Commissioner Natoli noted the existence of the trail connecting the field to Salem Community Park. The possibility of walking the town's two existing trails at future meetings was proposed.

e. Ice Rink

The possibility of placing the Ice Rink at Forsyth Field and holding an event with a bonfire in the future was proposed.

f. Forsyth Volunteer Field – *see item c(1) above*

10. New Business

Chairman Maziarz proposed a Bike Safety Class for the future.

11. Adjournment

**M/S/C: Fresco-Hawes/Durkee, to adjourn the meeting at 6:43 p.m. Discussion: None.
Voice vote, 6-0. Meeting Adjourned.**

Respectfully Submitted by:

Agnes T. Miyuki, Recording Secretary for the Town of Salem