

**TOWN OF SUNAPEE
RECREATION COMMITTEE MINUTES
AUGUST 20, 2025, 7:00 p.m.
TOWN MEETING ROOM, 23 EDGEMONT ROAD**

Members present:

Jamie Bourassa, Chair
Dan Whitmoyer, Vice Chair
Ian Kirk
Nicole Cassidy
Brenda Balenger (left at 8:50 p.m.)
Scott MacNamee

Members absent:

Nick Grant

Attendees present:

Steve Bourque, Recreation Director

I. Call to Order

Mr. Bourassa called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

II. Roll Call

III. Community Comments

There were no community members present and wishing to speak.

IV. Approval of Minutes

Mr. Whitmoyer moved to approve the minutes from July 16, 2025, as written. Ms. Balenger seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

V. Current Initiatives

A. Budget Update

Mr. Bourque updated the Committee on the Rec Department account balances, and revenues and expenses.

B. Veterans Field Collaborative Master Planning Session

The Committee discussed long-term plans for Veterans Field as part of creating a master plan, as requested by the Selectboard. Mr. Whitmoyer reviewed desired elements, including an electronic scoreboard, playground, pathways, bathrooms/concession stand, sledding hill, and skate park. They discussed locations for these

elements, the boundaries of Veterans Field, and how Veterans Field funds can be spent. They also discussed the impact of the wetlands on these plans.

They reviewed how to design the 80 x 80 multi-use space to include both pickleball and basketball courts. They discussed whether to include two or three pickleball courts, and the limitations of each option.

Mr. Whitmoyer suggested referring to the results of the recreation survey as justification for these recommendations.

This discussion will be continued at the next Committee meeting. The Committee thanked Mr. Whitmoyer for his work on this project.

C. Winter Intern Discussion

The topic was tabled for future discussion.

D. Review of Fall / Winter Calendar

Mr. Bourassa will send a link to the calendar to the Committee members. It will be discussed at the next meeting.

E. Basketball League Change

The topic was tabled for future discussion.

F. Subcommittee Fall Fest

The Committee discussed whether Fall Fest is being held this year. Ms. Cassidy will follow up and report back to the Committee. Mr. Bourque said the Rec Department cannot organize the event. Ms. Cassidy said SPTO is not willing to organize the event, but is willing to help. The Committee agreed they would be willing to help.

G. Turkey Trot Support Request

Mr. Bourque will manage this issue.

H. Open Items

Mr. Whitmoyer proposed showing a ski movie at The Livery on November 8th in cooperation with Matchstick Productions. The Committee discussed the details of holding such an event.

Ms. Cassidy moved to allocate \$450 to cover the agreement with Matchstick Productions and rental of The Livery. Mr. Kirk seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

VI. Next Meeting – September 17, 2025

VII. Adjournment

***Mr. Whitmoyer moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. MacNamee seconded the motion.
The motion carried unanimously.***

Meeting was adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Beth Haggeli
Recording Secretary