

Falls Village Recreation Commission  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, March 9th, 2022 at 7:00PM  
VIA ZOOM

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A meeting of the Falls Village Recreation Commission was held on this date via Zoom and called to order at 7:02 pm by John Morrissey.

In attendance: Dan Carr, Daipai Horace, Melissa Lopes, John Morrissey, Ted Moy, Thomas Wilson and Emily Peterson (Director). Guest: Dan Glass (Community Member interested in the commission)

**Public Comment:** None.

**Old Business:**

1. **FVRC Special Meeting Minutes of February 11th, 2022:** MOTION by Dan Carr, seconded by Thom Wilson, to approve the Special Meeting Minutes of February 11th, 2022, as submitted. Motion passed unanimously.

**New Business:**

1. **Annual Easter Egg Hunt/Spring Event:** The Spring Event event will be held on Saturday April 9th, 2022 at the Falls Village Recreation Center (approved by First Selectman Henry Todd). Time to be determined. Emily Peterson has contacted the Falls Village Fire Department for Fire Truck Rides and traffic directing, Housy FFA for a small animal petting zoo, Falls Village Children's Theater for a booth, and Lee H Kellogg 8th Grade class for volunteers to help with events of the day. Emily has contacted Tim Downs regarding use of the pool-house bathrooms. Easter games still to be finalized and Easter Eggs to be stuffed with candy to be done. Emily Peterson will update the commission with updates via email.
2. **Spring Baseball:** Emily Peterson reported that registration for Northwest CT Steve Blass Little League is now open for boys and girls of Canaan, Falls Village, Norfolk, Salisbury, Cornwall, Kent and Sharon. Information and the registration link for baseball and softball is on the Falls Village Town Website Recreation Page. Emily Peterson also reported that Region 1 Park and Recreation Departments will be offering a regional spring baseball program for 2022. These programs are for players who reside in a Region One Town, this program will depend on the number of volunteer coaches and registered players. Information and the registration link is on the Falls Village Town Website Recreation Page
3. **2022 Pool Season:**
  - A. **Waterfront Supervisor 2022 Hire:** Emily Peterson and John Morrissey spoke with Selectman regarding the need to hire an adult waterfront supervisor. This is on-hold at the time of this meeting due to upcoming budget discussions at the Special Meeting of Board of Selectmen scheduled for March 10th.
  - B. **Professional Cleaning Service Hire:** John Morrissey reported progress at hiring a professional cleaning service to clean the pool house during the summer 2022.
  - C. **Returning Lifeguards:** Emily Peterson reported that she has contacted all 2021 Pool Season lifeguards and all but two have stated that they will **not** be returning to work at the Falls Village Pool. The returning guards are interested in working full time and are both returning to the pool for their second year. Emily Peterson also reported that the lifeguard job opening with information and application has been posted on

the Falls Village Town Website and FVRC Facebook and Instagram Pages. Melissa Lopes volunteered to contact Karin Terni at the Career Center to post the job opening at Housatonic Valley Regional High School.

**D. Lifeguard Certification:** Melissa Lopes reported to the commission that she contacted Bill Houle, an American Red Cross Lifeguard Trainer. Description and Cost of the course was discussed. At the current time, it was determined that a class could not be held at the pool at the start of the season, but something to be looked at for the future (maybe later in the 2022 pool season). Past lifeguards have been trained and certified at the Grove.

**4. Enhancements to Recreation Center - Cornhole, horseshoe pits, and concrete slab for basketball hoop:** Discussion of enhancements to the Recreation Center will take place at our next meeting.

**5 Other Business:**

**A. 2022 Ski Club:** Dan Carr reported on the success of the 2022 LHK Ski Club and the commission discussed the desire to examine possible changes and costs for 2023 Ski Club. Invoice from Mohawk Mountain was received in the amount of \$5678.17. Invoice will be submitted to the Town for payment. Payment of this invoice will come from funds from the SWASA Grant, Ski Club Members and the FVRC budget. MOTION by Thom Wilson, seconded by Ted Moy, to approve submission and payment of the invoice from Mohawk Mountain in the amount of \$5678.17, with \$319.65 out of the "winter programs" budget line for ski club expenses. Motion passed unanimously.

**B. FVCT Spring Break Workshop:** Emily Peterson was contacted by the Falls Village Children's Theater to help sponsor workshops and programs to be held at the FVCT during spring break on April 19-21, 2022. MOTION by Dan Carr, seconded by Thom Wilson, to help sponsor and pay The Falls Village Children's Theater \$500.00 for workshops and programs to be held at the FVCT during spring break on April 19-21, 2022. Motion passed unanimously.

**Adjournment:** With no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Wednesday April 13, 2022.

Respectfully Submitted,  
*Melissa Lopes, Secretary*