

Falls Village Recreation Commission
Special Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, August 8th, 2024 at 6:00 PM
Peter G. Lawson Senior Center
107 Main Street, Falls Village CT 06031
VIA IN-PERSON AND ZOOM

Present:

Members: Ted Moy, Dan Carr, Melissa Lopes

Director: Emily Peterson

Absent Members: Dan Glass, Lauren Killawee

I. Call to order: Ted Moy called the meeting to order at 6:13 PM

II. Public Comment:

Selectman David Barger and Michelle Hansen attended the meeting. Both requested/commented that changes to policies for the pool pertaining to pricing be made for next pool season.

III. New Business

A. Pool Policies Discussion and Update:

Motion by Ted Moy, seconded by Dan Carr to adjust 2025 Town Pool Rules approve the following Town Pool Rules to:

"Pool Pass Information:

RESIDENT - Falls Village Resident pool passes from 2024 season will be eligible 2025 season. Passes for residents are free of charge.

GUEST OF RESIDENT - Falls Village residents with pool passes can bring up to 4 guests per day/per pass.

NON-RESIDENT PASS

Non-Resident Season Pass, Individual

Non-Resident Season Pass, Family"

The Motion was not adopted. Ted Moy -Yes, Dan Carr - No, Melissa Lopes- Abstain

After receiving letter from Falls Village resident regarding crowds at the pool last month (attached to last meeting minutes), members met to discuss email complaint and review current policies. Members discussed at length the possible increase of non - residents using the pool. Due to complaint of perceived increase of non- resident use of the pool, Emily Peterson analyzed number of patron's using the pool from June 19th through August 5th, 2024. (Spreadsheet attached). Numbers show that over-all there were **468 non-resident** patrons and **1927 resident** patrons using the pool during this time period. Members discussed.

Ted Moy voiced public concerns regarding overcrowding and that the pool is no longer relaxing to it's FV residents. Ted Moy reminded members that the FVRC is charged with creating recreation opportunities for the citizens of Falls Village (aka Town of Canaan). Melissa Lopes read the mission statement of the FVRC "C. That said municipal Recreation Commission shall establish, maintain and

conduct parks, playgrounds, baths, swimming pools and areas, gymnasiums, recreation places, public gardens and **generally, to establish, maintain and conduct the recreation and athletic facilities, programs and events for the citizens of the Town of Canaan and to make proper appropriations therefor.**"

FVRC members reviewed current town pool rules (policies) and those that were reported as not being adhered to. Town pool rules are posted at the pool and on the town website. (copy attached to these minutes). Members discussed getting more signage to remind people of the rules regarding eating at the pool. Require strict adherence to no alcohol and no smoking on premises. . Members discussed pool area check-in and whether or not these policies are being followed, and who enforces these rules.

IV. Adjournment MOTION to Adjourn at 7:45 PM made by Ted Moy, seconded by Dan Carr. Motion passed unanimously.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, August 14th, 2024.

Respectfully submitted,

Melissa Lopes

Melissa Lopes - Recording Secretary

2024 TO DATE

Pool Patrons

Date	# of Non Residents	# of Residents	Total Patrons Daily (includes children 5 and under, free and water fitness attendees)	% non-residents
19-Jun	10	46		59
20-Jun	7	61		68
21-Jun	0	4		4
22-Jun	2	28		47
23-Jun	1	12		13
24-Jun	0	5		5
25-Jun	0	35		35
26-Jun	3	34		36
27-Jun	0	10		10
28-Jun	0	34		35
29-Jun	0	3		3
30-Jun	0	7		9
1-Jul	2	26		32
2-Jul	18	36		54
3-Jul	18	38		59
4-Jul	11	26		37
5-Jul	6	42		50
6-Jul	22	70		92
7-Jul	38	60		100
8-Jul	20	73		99
9-Jul	11	48		60
10-Jul	6	73		79
11-Jul	15	37		37
12-Jul	7	47		55
13-Jul	9	77		86
14-Jul	0	0		0
15-Jul	14	52		74
16-Jul	18	66		84
17-Jul	8	36		49
18-Jul	7	42		53
19-Jul	3	50		53
20-Jul	9	25		37
21-Jul	21	109		132
22-Jul	12	70		82
23-Jul	4	7		11
24-Jul	0	41		41

25-Jul	0	31	32
26-Jul	12	73	87
27-Jul	29	71	101
28-Jul	29	39	79
29-Jul	8	20	30
30-Jul	11	50	65
1-Aug	31	67	103
2-Aug	5	36	43
3-Aug	13	30	45
4-Aug	5	15	20
5-Aug	23	65	88
To-Date Totals	468	1927	2473
			19%

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TOWN POOL RULES AND RATES, 2024

Posted on May 30, 2024 by Recreation Commission

Water Fitness Classes with Louise Returns!

Starting July 1st, at 6 PM.

Registration is not required. Must be over the age of 18 to participate and have some swimming knowledge. Sign in with the lifeguards upon arrival.

Cost is \$5 to participate and anyone resident or non-resident may join the class.

Classes will be held on Mondays' and Thursday's starting at 6PM.

Please note there will be no class on July 4th due to the holiday.

For questions, contact Nikki Blass, Waterfront Supervisor

pool@canaanfallsvillage.org

Pool Pass Information

(Updated on 5/30/24)

Resident pool passes from last season will be eligible for use this year as. If you are a Falls Village resident* and in need of a pass, they will be available at the pool for pickup during the pool hours.

Passes for residents are free of charge. Please note, Falls Village residents with pool passes can bring up to 4 guests per day/per pass.

Non-Resident Pass Fees 2024

Non-Resident Day Pass.....\$5.00/person

Non-Resident Season Pass, Individual.....\$150

Non-Resident Season Pass, Family.....\$300

Rules and Regulations

Please read the following updated rules and regulations carefully:

- No persons under the age of 12 are allowed unless accompanied by adult (18 years and older.)
- No dogs or pets allowed at any time.
- No food permitted inside the fenced area, please use the provided picnic tables.
- Flotation devices are allowed for children. (Noodles, kickboards, life jackets, arm floaties)
- No alcohol is permitted on the premises.
- No smoking is permitted on the premises.
- Babies and Toddlers must wear appropriate swim diapers and coverings. (Nudity is not permitted.)
- Water shoes or socks can be worn in the pool for the rough bottom.

Please remember to drive slowly and pick up all your trash!

*Falls Village Residents Defined:

- Taxpayers in Falls Village. *Please note that if you live in the town of Amesville or North Canaan, you will not be able to receive a pass.*
- Renters of apartments or homes in Falls Village that are renting for at least one month.

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