Town of North Canaan

100 Pease Street, North Canaan CT 06018

Recreation Commission

November 17, 2026

Present: Chairman Justin Ellison, Melissa Pinardi, Tonya Roussis, Tom Bunce, Kurt Johnson, Marilisa Camardi, Tracy Allyn, Vinnie Viscariello, Director Adam Bunce

Chairman Ellison called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

Ms. Roussis moved to approve the agenda. Ms. Pinardi seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Ms. Pinardi moved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Mr. Bunce seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Public Comment: none

Director report: Director Bunce read his report into record.

- Soccer wrapped up and went pretty well. Got in some scrimmages.
- Baseball went well.
- Basketball – they are finalizing the numbers and getting times and coaches set. There was a discussion on the number of kids for the program. Signups are almost done.
- Ski club is open – registration closes December 7.
- Merrit closed the pool. Chairman Ellison's friends have taking the railing and will weld a sleeve on it which should allow the normal anchor to be used with it and it should work.

Treasurer report: Ms. Camardi read report into record.

- Balance in account $12644.37
- Payment was made to UCONN for the hockey and basketball tickets.
- Starting in December the phone bill at the pool will be reduced to about $39 per month. Issues that occurred likely had to do with switching to Frontier and trying to straighten out all of the phone lines.

Old business:

Ski- club question regarding the bus pickup for Falls Village and Canaan. Director Bunce has to speak with the schools and they handle the bus.

Dates or UConn were locked in and the tickets are up for sale. Chairman Ellison wanted to get the Tennessee game out sooner rather than later. Flyers for the others will be posted as well.

Monthly Rec to do list: Discussion of the soccer field nets and goals. Plastic ones go to the shed; metal ones get pulled to the side. This is not a priority. Tennis nets and volleyball nets should be taken down. Would like to purge the shed by the pool.

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Winter Light Contest: Last month there was discussion about getting the residents more involved not only decorating but in voting. There was an idea of having a bus to view lights but will not work due to some locations. Discussion regarding how to open voting up to public. Decision to use a google doc questionnaire. Category and timelines were discussed. Decision made to have Charlie Perotti Family as the top award and then have 4 runners up and neighborhood cheer award. There was a suggestion to leave this all open longer as to not rush people to get lights up or votes in. It was decided that winners need to be announced before Christmas. First flyer will announce registration open until December 13. Second flyer will announce voting will then be open until December 22 and include a link for voting. There will be mention of Hall of Fame houses on flyer. Flyers should go out to the school.

Monthly Newsletter: UConn tickets and holiday lights flyers

New Business:

Skating Rink – Chairman Ellison has a note to be in touch with Mike. There should be enough tarp for this year. Will likely hold off until January to set up.

Ms. Roussis moved to adjourn. Ms. Pinardi seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned 7:33pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Ayrslea A Odell

Recording Secretary