

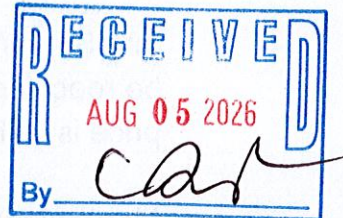
Minutes of the Recreation Commission Regular Meeting 08/03/2026

Members Present: Gary Wilson, Brian LaFontaine, David Shypinka and Tanya Galpin.

Not Present: Frank Treglia, Shawn McGee, and Matt Stancavage

Also Present: Joe Aniki

Meeting Commenced: 7:01 pm



3:20pm

The minutes from the Recreation Commission regular meeting of 07/06/2026 were read. Brian LaFontaine made a motion to accept the minutes, seconded by David Shypinka. Tanya Galpin abstained. All were in favor. Joe Aniki requested to amend the agenda to add discussion of a dog park to the agenda. David Shypinka made the motion. Brian LaFontaine seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Old Business

Joe Aniki reports that Paul Novakowski from Thomaston Little League would like to fix the drainage at Nystrom's baseball Field. Tanya Galpin reported that it has been fixed by multiple people in the past. She suggested that a company that does baseball fields be working on it, so it can fix the problem that has been there for over 20 years.

Joe Aniki reports that the signs for Nystrom's park are done and will be going in this week. Joe also would like to have the guy that made these signs make signs with the park rules on them. These would be installed by the beach, the soccer entrance, and the track entrance. Joe will get a price.

The tennis wall for the tennis court is done and will be installed by Mr. Ryan.

Trash cans were put together and installed at Reeves Field.

Discussions about a dog park have been initiated by town citizens. They would like to help put a dog park somewhere. Three places were suggested to do a dog

park and pickleball court. The suggested areas were Highwood Farms, Electric Avenue and Nystroms Park.

New Business

The Sanford Field Dugout fencing got approved by capital improvements. Joe will be reaching back out to Thomaston Fence and Hardscapes to make sure his price is still valid that he gave in December.

Men's slow pitch softball starts August 16th. It will have 7 teams. Each team is paying \$300 and will pay umpires \$25 per game.

Joe spoke about possibly resurfacing the tennis courts and lining them for tennis and pickleball. Joe was asked to go speak with the athletic director and make sure the CIAC rules will allow this. We would not want to jeopardize the courts not being able to be used for tournament play because we put pickleball lines on them.

Joe would like to have the bath house painted inside and out before next spring. He will reach out to a couple of painters and see if he can get some prices and availability.

The rec fund will be more accurate next month. There is still more coming in and going out for the summer camp. As of July 31, 2026 the recreation fund has \$45,289.96.

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, September 14, 2026 at 7:00 pm.

A motion to adjourn was made by Tanya Galpin, seconded by David Shypinka at 7:42 pm. All members were in favor.

Submitted by: Tanya Galpin, Secretary