Town of Winchester/City of Winsted  
Recreation Department  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, March 1st, 2022, 7:00 pm  
Francis P Hicks Room

**Board Members**

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1. **Call to order @ 7:05 pm.**  
   - Shayne Deschamps, Joseph Lefkowski, Bryan Sundie, Diane Ransom, Elizabeth Whitney, Kurt Williams

2. **Approval of Meeting Minutes 2/1/23**  
   - Motion by Joseph Lefkowski 2nd by Diane Ransom 6-0

3. **Agenda Review**  
   - Added 015 Account Spending item  
   - Motion by Shayne Deschamps, 2nd by Joseph Lukowski 6-0

4. **Public Comment**  
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5. **Communication Coordinator: Alan Nero**  
   - Introduced himself and his role, and what he is currently doing  
   - What can Alan do to help us?  
     - He is trying to push more into the marketing and communications video segment.  
     - Alan would like to get more footage of dugouts, games, fields, and Tatros Park.  
       - Possible addition of Firemans BBQ event  
     - Communications are flowing between Alan and Tanya, one example being flyer for the spring cornhole league, easter materials, etc.  
     - Discussion on getting video footage of our events and sports  
     - Added discussion to get a recreation logo created

Brian Shaughnessy arrived at 7:13 pm

6. **Chairman Report**
• Softball and baseball numbers are closing soon; numbers are currently 60 registrations.
  ○ In comparison, New Hartford is currently at 180; discussion on why?
  ■ Discussion about what could be done differently to increase enrollment for not only softball/baseball but all programs

7. **Field Lighting Update**
• The sidewalk was completed with the contractor
  ○ I need to know where the drain pipe that goes across the field
  ■ Drawings should be available with the town
  ○ Before anything can be ordered, we need to get the missing information together
  ○ 3 Month procurement time for materials

8. **Recreation Director Report**
• Basketball is a go; snow could cancel the last game, and the pizza party
• One team has the possibility of making the championship
• All programs are going well and moving smooth
• Game club night
  ○ Four consecutive Wednesdays, 2-time slots based on age at the green building
  ○ A small fee will be charged to attend, and enrollment will be online, but drop-ins will be allowed.
  ○ K-2nd parents are required to stay
• David Castillo car show
  ○ Tanya talked to David about a possible car show at the skatepark
• Easter Event
  ○ Everything is all set, crafts, easter bunny, and materials
• EdAdvance would like an agreement with the Recreation Board
• Josh would like all town parks and playgrounds documented
• Winchester Center Part Discussion
  ○ It’s not being maintained; it used to be a park
  ○ The board needs to see what exact parcel of land is being discussed
• Josh is in contact with Tanya about the playground equipment at Bachelor; she is waiting on them to approve what we want.
• Requested April meeting be moved to an earlier time

Bryan Shaughnessy departed at 8:08 pm

9. **Old Business**
• WPS Discussion about school utilization
  ○ Charges to use school buildings
  ○ Problems with rescheduling programs when the school is closed due to snow
  ○ Kurt will write a letter to the WBOE expressing our concerns

10. **New Business**
• 015 Account Spending
  ○ Tanya will bring recommendations to the May meeting

11. **Adjournment**
Motion by Shayne Deschamps, 2nd Joseph Lefkowski 8:45 pm 6-0