



**Milford Parks and Recreation Commission
September 13, 2023**

Minutes

Attendees: Arene Berry (Director), Krista Deveau (Program Coordinator), Kierstyn Williamson, Zachary Williamson, Patricia Nickerson, Bethany Haerinck, Stacey Cusack, Eleanor Spargimino

Chairman Zach opened the meeting at 7:00 PM.

Appointments: No appointments tonight.

Director's Report: Revolving fund balance as of 9/8/23 = \$73,966.63.

Approximately \$6,000 in playground repairs are not balanced out yet. Full report will be available next month.

Arene recognized and thanked our current sponsors.

Sponsors are still needed for Breakfast with Santa and Trick or Treat on the Oval.

The need for volunteers was discussed for the following events:

Scarecrow making at Pumpkin Fest

Trick or Treat on the Oval, Friday 10/27/23, 3:00-4:30

Breakfast with Santa, 12/09/23

Changes to the membership of the commission:

Ruth Sheff and John Murphy are no longer serving on the commission, but will continue to volunteer at future events.

We will vote at the next meeting on a full position opportunity that Karen Desjardins is interested in and an alternate position for Eleanor Spargimino.

We will also need to vote on the new VP at the next meeting.

Please be sure to confirm attendance once the agenda goes out for the next meeting.

Minutes from the June 7, 2023 meeting were approved.

Recreation Commission shirts were discussed, as there is an expressed interest in having shirts to wear to events to identify ourselves as members of the commission and/or volunteers. Arene will work with our vendor to develop a design and color/style options and present to the commission at the next meeting.

Ice Rink:

The costs of a cooling system for underneath the rink are currently being investigated. This would allow skating in up to 52 degree weather conditions.

The set up date was decided as 11/11 at 9:00 am, with 11/18 being a rain date.

Festival of Trees:

The commission moved and approved a motion to participate in The Festival of Trees, as a fundraiser for SHARE. We approved a \$100 voucher for the Recreation Department as a donation, and \$100 was allotted to be used on decorations.

Next meeting will be October 11, 2023. No conflicts were raised.

Adjourned: 7:46

Respectfully submitted,

Bethany Haerinck