

MOULTONBOROUGH RECREATION DEPARTMENT

ADVISORY BOARD

Mission Statement

The mission of the Advisory Board to the Moultonborough Recreation Department is to provide the public a standard of excellence in programs and services in a cooperative spirit that encourages participation in recreation, sport and leisure activities, while carefully promoting and utilizing recreational resources and facilities available in the community.

Purpose

The principal function of the Advisory Board is to serve as a communication bridge between the Recreation Director, the Board of Selectmen and the Community and to promote programs and services to encourage support from our community through input and participation.

General Information

Items to be placed on the Meeting Agenda must be submitted by 4 p.m. on the preceding Friday. Unless otherwise noted, meetings are held the 2nd Monday of the Month in the Ernest P Davis Room at 7:00 p.m. Meetings are accessible via live streaming at <http://www.moultonboroughnh.gov> by clicking on [Click to view Town Hall Streams](#)

Monday, January 11, 2016
7:00 P.M.
Davis Room, Town Hall

DRAFT MINUTES

Present: Carla Taylor, Al Hume, Celeste Burns, Donna Kuethe

Absent with Notice: Matt Swedberg, Chris Shipp

Community: Nancy Wright

- I. CALL TO ORDER: Carla called the meeting to order at 7:00
- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Al led the Board in the Pledge
- III. REVIEW/APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 9, 2015: Al made the Motion to approve. Celeste seconded. Motion carried.
- IV. NEW BUSINESS
 - a. The first meeting will be the Organizational meeting to elect a Chairman, Vice Chairman and Secretary. The Board will determine board procedures for holding their public meeting and order of Business: Carla tabled this item until March, which is when this organizational meeting was traditionally held. She also would like all members to note the necessity of being at that meeting.

- b. Discussion of Heading, including changing “Director” to “Department” and what “Bridge” meant historically: Carla tabled this item for the full Board but allowed comment. Donna would still like the word changed to Department to make it more accurate for the “Bridge” to go to the Department but said the wording came from the BOS and any change requests would need to go to them. Al read a part of Harry Blood’s resignation that talked about Bridge from a historical perspective. Carla then asked for a Motion. Celeste made a Motion to change. No second. Motion failed.
- c. Process for cancelling meetings with no action items: This action item was included on the Agenda because Chris and Celeste have brought up not having meetings if there is nothing to discuss. Celeste would like to see a process put in place that would ensure consistency and that meetings would not be cancelled repeatedly and perhaps have a no consecutive cancellation clause. Al is worried that people would get in the habit of not knowing when meetings were and not attend. Carla questioned if we are doing enough as a Board with helping the RD and perhaps will go back and look at initial outline. After discussion it was decided that Celeste would draft something and bring to the full Board.
- d. Changing due date for action items for Agenda: Celeste explained that we would need a clear cutoff date for the Agenda to determine if a cancellation would be made and to give Hope time to remove from the live streaming.
- e. Members/Alternate discussion. Is Selectmen’s Representative considered a member for the 5-7 members: Celeste added this due to the listing on the website for Chris as a “Representative.” Celeste relayed her conversation with Chris in which he was clear that he is an at large member and it was not the intent of the Board of Selectmen to have a Representative on this Board. General discussion followed with Donna adding that Paul is the liaison for the MRD and RAB and Carla informing that all the Boards were split up by the BOS and have liaison.
- f. Annual Report: As requested via email Celeste brought and disseminated a draft of the 2015 Annual Report due to the town today. Discussion around the report included the wording of the paragraph regarding pickleball. Carla would like to tweak it and will send to Celeste at 9:00 on Tuesday to get to Town Hall. Discussion also included who would sign it and Carla stated that Celeste should unless the changes she made dictated that she should.

V. OLD BUSINESS

a. Gym Update: Donna started this action item by discussing last Thursday's BOS warrant article for a Community Center. The building will include gym, program space, storage, and space to incorporate all Lion's Club activities. It will be situated between Academy and Taylor Property and will leave green space available. It will be a bond issue requiring 2/3 majority vote. Celeste added that the BOS has two Information Sessions planned on the 21st and 28th from 6-7 p.m. Carla told the Board she would like to open up the February meeting for questions. Discussion followed regarding the issue with AI adding that we should meet before the Town goes over warrant articles, and generally if we need to ask the BOS if we can also have an info. Session. Conclusion was to move Input to IV on our Agenda and have Donna confirm with BOS and make it a general Q&A and not a presentation. Discussion then turned to the need for a facility with AI asking about #s and the 6th grade potentially moving to the Academy which would affect numbers. Celeste stated that the School Board has made no decision on the matter. Donna stated that it will all be included in Thursday's report to the BOS. AI also expressed concern about Senior Meals and Seniors being kept separate from other rec. programs. MRD will not be running that part of the programming according to Donna. Carla inquired about scheduling and Donna replied that it has not been discussed yet. [Community Member] Nancy asked about "Friends of the Recreation Department" for a fundraising arm. Donna answered that, while it is not in existence now, 10% of total cost will be fundraising to have a "skin in the game" investment from the community. Nancy then questioned numbers historically and stated that the peak was 759 in 95-96. The Board then discussed the lack of pop warner/cal ripken/hockey/flag football and other current draws on participation.

- VI. RECREATION DEPARTMENT REPORT: Donna emailed and had hard copies for this month and last month. She highlighted the Holiday Open House which had 50 people and was well received. Rink Events are set pending ice conditions. Rec the Halls Vacation Camp had 36 kids for the half/full day program. First Night Events saw Bubble Soccer return and was mainly middle level students. Winter Days start on Friday. There are no Senior Trips for Jan/Feb but the Pops had 47 people and the Flower Show is in March and will be a joint effort with Belmont.
- VII. CITIZEN/MEMBER INPUT: Above
- VIII. NEXT MEETING DATE: February 8th
- IX. ADJOURNMENT: Celeste made the Motion to Adjourn at 8:03. Carla Seconded. Motion Carried.

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