

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
RECREATION COMMITTEE
LISBON TOWN HALL
MONDAY, JANUARY 24, 2022
7:00 P.M.

1. Call to Order - The regular meeting of the Recreation Committee was called to order by TJ Restivo, Chairman, at 7:05 pm.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Thomas Restivo, Christopher Fabry, Juliana DeWilde, Jhady Jaffe,
Andrew Lagace, Robert Rhoades
MEMBERS ABSENT: Kyle Gleason, Meagan Sikorsky

2. Reading of Previous Minutes

Motion by R. Rhoades second by C. Fabry to waive reading of the previous Regular Meeting minutes of 12/20/2021 and approve the minutes as mailed. VOTE: UNANIMOUS MOTION CARRIED

3. Correspondence

- a. Memo, from The Lisbon Quarterly, re: Spring 2022 Town Newsletter Submissions, due 2/22/2022 – Committee discussed including information about the Easter Egg Hunt, possible Summer Camps, and potential Bus Trips.

4. Bills and action thereon

- a. Jordan Brook Lawn Care, Service Agreement 2022, \$3,800.00 re: Lisbon Meadows Park Baseball & Soccer Fields routine field maintenance and \$1,200.00 re: Lisbon Central School Softball Field routine field maintenance. Motion by A. Lagace second by J. Jaffe to pay \$3,800.00 for Lisbon Meadows Park Baseball & Soccer Fields routine field maintenance 2022 Service Agreement and \$1,200.00 for Lisbon Central School Softball Field routine field maintenance 2022 Service Agreement (70203). VOTE: UNANIMOUS MOTION CARRIED

- b. Summit Fitness, \$2,450.00, invoice re: court rentals for Youth Basketball program between 12/1/2021 and 1/29/2022. Motion by R. Rhoades second by A. Lagace to approve payment of \$2,450 to Summit Fitness re: court rentals for Youth Basketball between 12/1/2021 and 1/29/2022 (70201). VOTE: UNANIMOUS MOTION CARRIED

- c. Justin Tulli, \$240, dated 1/24/2022 re: referee for Youth Basketball (8 games) and Andrew Gromko, \$240, dated 1/24/2022 re: referee for Youth Basketball (8 games). Motion by A. Lagace second by R. Rhoades to approve payment of \$240 to Justin Tulli re: referee for Youth Basketball (8 games) and \$240 to Andrew Gromko re: referee for Youth Basketball (8 games) (70201). VOTE: UNANIMOUS MOTION CARRIED

- d. Christopher Fabry, \$1,443.22, paid 1/17/2022 re: reimbursement for Youth Basketball t-shirts paid to Thelemic Printshop, \$1,443.22, invoice #2855 dated 1/17/2022. Motion by R. Rhoades second by J. DeWilde to reimburse Christopher Fabry \$1,443.22 for the cost of Youth Basketball t-shirts which C. Fabry paid to vendor (Thelemic Printshop) (70201). VOTE: UNANIMOUS MOTION CARRIED

- e. Youth Basketball Facility Use – Motion by A. Lagace second by R. Rhoades to approve up to \$1,750.00 for use of basketball courts at Norwich Fitness Center for 1/31/2022 to 2/26/2022 with payment occurring upon C. Fabry providing invoice to Bookkeeper (70201). VOTE: UNANIMOUS MOTION CARRIED

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- f. Youth Basketball Referees – Motion by A. Lagace second by R. Rhoades to approve up to \$1,530.00 for referees for the remainder of the season with payment occurring upon C. Fabry providing Expense Requisition Forms to Bookkeeper (70201).

VOTE: UNANIMOUS MOTION CARRIED

5. Old Business

- a. LMP – Chairman Restivo spoke with the First Selectman about the removal of a set of bleachers by the town. Chairman Restivo will set a time in early spring for the bleachers to be removed. The committee agreed not to replace the set of bleachers at this time.
- b. Winter Programs
 - Co-ed Volleyball: Mr. Rhoades reported on the status of the program. The program is going well with about 17 participants per week, which is up from previous seasons. Mr. Rhoades asked for clarification about the process if a participant is injured during the program. Participants sign waivers to participate but Mr. Rhoades questioned if there is a procedure to report injuries. The committee agreed a procedure should be in place. Chairman Restivo agreed to look into this further.
 - Youth Basketball: Mr. Fabry reported on the status of the program. The program is going well. The facility being used is changing to new management (Summit Fitness to Norwich Fitness Center). Mr. Fabry has not been able to speak with the new management yet. Families seem to be enjoying the location. Mr. Fabry is thankful for the sponsorships, as those have been a great help with providing the funding to use such a facility.
- c. Committee Calendar – Reviewed topics listed under January. The committee is on track.
- d. Social Media Site Updates – Ms. Jaffe provided an update on the Recreation Committee's social media presence. Social media is going well. People are viewing the page as well as liking and sharing posts. Ms. Jaffe has been posting events to the Lisbon Recreation Facebook page and those events are then shared with the Lisbon Now Facebook page. Ms. Jaffe will continue to share the posts from the Lisbon Youth Basketball Facebook page with the Lisbon Recreation Facebook page. Ms. Jaffe will continue to post any cancellations or changes to programs as well.
- e. LRC Positions/Roles – Chairman Restivo encouraged members to attend meetings and/or reach out if not available to attend. Chairman Restivo also requested each member of the committee take on a specific role and act as the lead contact person. Chairman Restivo emphasized the member would not be alone to complete the task but simply be the contact person. Chairman Restivo mentioned there will be more to come on this topic and encouraged members to think about possible roles needed or volunteering for specific roles prior to the next meeting.
 - Lisbon Recreation Committee Volunteers:
 - Bus Trips – Meghan Sikorsky – Chairman Restivo will reach out to determine if Ms. Sikorsky would like to continue this role.
 - Interface with Community Groups & Town Committees – Juliana DeWilde
 - Lisbon Meadows – Robert Rhoades
 - Social Media – Jhady Jaffe
 - Youth Sports Coordinator(s) – Christopher Fabry & Andrew Lagace

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6. New Business

Possible Future Events – Mr. Fabry would like to organize a bus trip to a Red Sox game in late July or early August. The idea of a disc golf tournament was mentioned.

Easter Egg Hunt – Committee agreed that it would be nice to hold the Easter Egg Hunt this year after two years without the event. The event will take place on the Saturday the week before Easter (April 9) with a rain date the Saturday before Easter (April 16). The committee would like to hold the egg hunt along with the opportunity to take photos with the Easter Bunny. In preparation, the committee will need to advertise (flyers, social media, board at Lisbon Meadows), prepare for the egg hunt (purchase candy, stuff eggs, possibility of “golden tickets”, make age category signs, put up fenced area for the youngest age group), and prepare for the Easter Bunny photos (costume, volunteer, display/props). Mr. Rhoades suggested the idea of food trucks and is willing to speak with some vendors to gauge interest. The committee would like to coordinate with other groups from town and the school in order to make the event even bigger. Ideas include a breakfast and/or other activities for the children. The committee is open to ideas and group participants. Chairman Restivo said he would check on the need for permits for food trucks, look into where the eggs and bunny costume are being stored, and speak with the Bookkeeper about the process for purchasing candy.

7. Any other business which may properly come before the Committee – None

8. Adjournment – Motion by R. Rhoades second by A. Lagace to adjourn at 8:38 pm.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS MOTION CARRIED

APPROVED: _____

Thomas J. Restivo, Chairman

Melissa Cassidy

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CT ON *1/26/2022* AT *9:10am*
ATTEST. LAURIE TIROCCO TOWN CLERK

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