



## Recreation Commission

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### Meeting Minutes - February 9, 2021 Meeting Held via Zoom

**Members Present:** Tom Giroux, Henry Moreno, Rodney Putnam, Mike Webb

**Members Absent:** Frank Twarog

**Also Present:** Jen McCuin, Liam Powers

1. **Call to Order** - 7:04 p.m.
2. **Public Comment** - None.
3. **Additions / Deletions** - Tom asks for clarification on 3 open positions on Front Porch Forum post. Jen clarifies. Mike submitted his application Nov. 2020 & will be interviewed at the 2/17 Select Board meeting. Liam is currently working on his application. This leaves one open position. Tom asks if purchasing a leaf blower would be possible for the rink. Rodney clarifies it would only work for light, dry snow of 1-3 inches and doesn't advise for such a small amount of time. Jen also points out each snowfall creates its own challenge – i.e. wet and sticky, lot amount at once, dry and light, mixed rain, etc. – making it hard to purchase “all the right equipment for every kind of snow or scenario.”
4. **Ice Rink and Lighting Meeting with Liam** - Liam gives overview of lighting project from meeting with Jen in January. Confirms available exterior meter pack at Police Dept. This allows a power source to set up a pedestal – panel – lighting source for the rink – park area behind the Police Department. Liam envisions setting up a timer for the lights (ex. 5 p.m. till 9 or 10 p.m. during winter usage). This power source would allow lights, power for future bands, food trucks, bounce house, etc. for park area. Liam says if we move forward on excavating the area to improve uniform rink level, would be an ideal time to lay conduit. Henry asks for approximate cost. Liam says he'd need to confirm with accuracy, but notes all building supplies are very high at this time. He also mentions the strength of the lighting in the P.D. parking area and street lights on Farmall Drive. Surprising how much light they provide. Notes street lights on Farmall across from rink have not been on and agrees to confirm ownership (town or private) with GMP. Jen reports a Creekside resident asked they be included in any lighting additions for the future after reading recent Record article about lighting for next year.

5. **Rec. Coordinator's Report** - Jen gives update on Hiring Committee for future Town Administrator – Manager position. Just finished an interview with all Dept. Heads with the last candidate today. Will be moving to office across the hall to make room for the new employee. On the programs front, will host a virtual Driver Education course starting February 28th and confirms continued work on spring-summer activities such 4 driver education courses, spring sports (t-ball, lacrosse, mini soccer), golf, horseback riding, and tennis lessons. Will be opening up online registration within the next week for sports and a bit later for other activities as confirmed. Working with Shelburne Little League to add to HRD website and working with Charlotte, Shelburne, and Williston Rec. Depts. to align lacrosse info and deadlines.
6. **Commission Forum** – Non-action items. None.
7. **Next meeting** is March 9, 2021 at 7 p.m. via Zoom.
8. **Adjourn** at 7:39 p.m.