

**Shelburne Recreation Committee**  
**\*Draft\* Minutes**  
**Monday, Jan. 28 6:00 PM**

**Members Present:** Peggy Coutu, Kelli Magnier, Bruce Whitbeck, Kathie Pudvar, Renee Davitt, Susan McLellan

**Student Members present:** Mia Brumsted, Jackson Konowitz, Jackson Townsend, Garrett Gruendling.

**Staff Present:** Betsy Cieplicki

**Public Present:** None

**Called to order at 6:00 p.m.**

The Minutes from the Nov. 26, 2018 meeting were reviewed and amended to show that Renee and Susan were present. Minutes were approved as amended.

**Public Comments:** none

**Directors Report:** See written report below. Betsy also explained some of the new programs coming up in the Spring/ Summer Program guide. Betsy reminded students they are not voting members, but their input and feedback is welcome.

**Memorial Bench request for beach:** Betsy presented a proposal from a non-resident family interested in placing a memorial bench at Shelburne Beach. While it's a nice gesture, there are two concerns. We want to improve the uniformity of the beach furnishings in the future and this bench would introduce yet another style. Also, as non-residents, they would need an exemption from our beach rules in order to visit their family memorial bench. Discussion by the committee supports setting guidelines to keep benches to Shelburne Residents only. Also discussed setting a policy or process for future bench requests and installations to follow what the Town supports as the agreed upon style. Most were supportive of the black wrought iron bench that the Town has adopted for other public spaces.

**Event Planning:**

*Winterfest* –Saturday, Feb. 9<sup>th</sup>, 10-1pm. Members to attend: Garrett, Jackson T., Kelli, Bruce, Kathie, Betsy. Student reps asked to help find face painters for event.

*Me and My Guy Dance* – Friday, Feb. 15. Members to attend: Peggy, Renee, Susan, Kelli, Mia, Betsy

*Summer Concerts:* Food Vendors @ Fireworks event –Discussion whether we should require a percentage of sales or a flat fee. Peggy shared her research from what other Rec Departments do, which represented a variety of options. A proposal was made for \$100 flat fee per vendor in addition to food truck permit fee. Motion was made and passed. Further discussion was held on how many trucks and extras we

should allow, including dinner food, ice cream/ dessert, wine/beer, etc. We do want to have Curt Echo and Sausage shack this year. Discussion also over ice cream vendors for the fireworks and concerts at Shelburne Farms. Discussion tabled until next meeting.

**Budget Update:**

Betsy submitted Department draft and some special projects were rejected due to this years' budget constraints including: \$25,000 for Beach parking lot and road, \$15,000 for Beach preconstruction design reduced to \$5,000 with the hope of the rest going through in next fiscal year. \$3,700 for new backboards at Davis park removed and then put back in. New boards are composite material, not wood and shouldn't warp. As of now the budget looks to be a stable draft and likely what will be approved to go to voters.

**Other Business:** none

The meeting was adjourned at 6:56 pm.

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**Director's Report**

**Office Update:**

No new programs start in Jan. We are putting the finishing touches on the Spring/Summer Program brochure and it's almost complete and ready to go to the printer. Bolton Valley After School Ski Program starts Friday, Feb. 1<sup>st</sup>. We have 52 kids on a full bus attending.

Betsy is putting the finishing touches on the Spring / Summer program brochure which will be at the printers by Friday, Feb. 1<sup>st</sup>. Information on Spring and summer programs will be online next week, with registration opening on Feb. 11<sup>th</sup>. We have a few new camps and programs offered including: youth baseball camp, Girls on the Run Camp, Drone Racing Camp, Adult Pickleball lessons and adult ukelele lessons, and Forest Bathing walks.

Little League opened registration in January with their new website and online registration through Blue Sombrero. So far it's going well, but we are making adjustments and figuring out the accounting on our end as we tweak the reporting and info to get what we need to post to GL. The money gets direct deposited once a week in our bank account, and then we need to balance it against the registrations and post to correct accounts. Lacrosse has expressed an interest in using this website as well, so it will be interesting to see how this goes this spring. It is not connected to our database, so we have to access their website and info for rosters and information.