

**TOWN OF GRANBY
PARK AND RECREATION BOARD
Minutes
December 2, 2014**

PRESENT: Brigid Gunn, Chairman, Abby Roughton, Jennifer Bilodeau, Sue Lasota, Sue Yucha, Squire Bressor, Kathy Ungerleider and Tom Tyburski, Director of Recreation and Leisure Services

ABSENT: None

PUBLIC: None

Meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by Brigid Gunn.

MINUTES

On a motion by Jennifer Bilodeau and seconded by Kathy Ungerleider, the minutes from the November 4, 2014 meeting were approved.

PUBLIC SESSION

None

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Programs –

- Youth Basketball – There are 265 kids registered so far. Girls/Boys grades 7/8 haven't had their Middle School tryouts yet. Once they do, some of the kids that don't make the team tend to sign up for the Rec program. Also have an offer from East Granby to combine teams.
- Ski Sundown After School Ski Program – numbers are still a little low from last year's.
- The new Stamp a Stack Greeting Card Making Class did well. Also, the Holiday Cookie Decorating Class had quite a few registrations.
- Running another American Red Cross Babysitting and When I'm in Charge class in February. Held the same classes in November and they were both sold out.
- Offering the DEEP Combination Safe Boating/Personal Watercraft Class again. This year it's going to be held over three evenings vs four.
- Boston Red Sox trips are being planned
- 2015-16 Budget – Capital Fund – Potential Ideas
 - 1) Tom asked the Board for their thoughts on the possibility of adding a 15-20 hour per week position to the Recreation department staff. The Board members viewed this positively. Tom went on to say that this position, like all other positions in the Recreation Department (except for his) are not tax funded. Those salaries come out of the revenue fund.
 - 2) Ice Rink for Salmon Brook Park
 - 3) Bathhouse improvements – dividers, toilets, sinks
 - 4) Golf Cart for portable concessions. Also looking into possibly leasing one.
 - 5) Sound Proofing in the Gathering Room. Won't have the report from UHart until May, 2015.

- Café Concerts – Tom shared that Town Manager Smith was in favor of this concept. Tom checked into Wild Ponies for March but it didn't look like they were booking dates for that month. He is going to email them for possible dates and costs and will report back at next month's meeting.

Upcoming Events –

- Wednesday, December 3, 6:30pm – Tree Lighting ceremony at Salmon Brook Park. Tom Tyburski asked the Board members if any of them would like to volunteer for the event. The areas that need assistance are: Handing out cookies/hot chocolate, manning food bank donations, Parking (maybe), handing out programs.
- Saturday, February 21, 2015 4:45pm – 7pm - Annual Granby Ice Skating Party at Simsbury Farms in Simsbury. Tom told the Board members that he would be looking for volunteers for that event as well.

OTHER BUSINESS AS NECESSARY

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Sue Lasota and seconded by Jennifer Bilodeau, the meeting adjourned at 8:02pm

PLEASE NOTE: The next meeting is going to be Tuesday, January 6, 2015 at 7:00 at the Lodge at Salmon Brook Park in the Conference Room.

Respectfully submitted,

Daphne Shinder
Recording Secretary