

**Milton Recreation Commission  
Emma Ramsey Center  
November 13, 2014  
Meeting Minutes**

A regular meeting of the Milton Recreation Commission was called to order by Selectman Rawson at 6:10 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Members Present:**

Andrew Rawson- Selectman  
Sarah Rogers- Commissioner  
Doug Shute-Commissioner  
Stefanie Berry- Commissioner

**Members Excused**

Chris Jacobs- Chairman

**Also present:**

Karen Brown-Recreation Director  
Luella Snyder-Public  
Jeff Berry-Public  
Laura Noseworthy-Public

**Approval of Past Minutes**

MOTION by Doug Shute to accept the minutes of October 7, 2014 pending the addition of Karen Brown-website status and "Meeting Minutes" needing to be forwarded to Kim Ladisheff for her to post online. Second by Stefanie Berry. Motion carried.

**Monthly Expenses**

The following Expenses were approved:

- Senior Luncheon - Senior Program \$476.56
- Sebastian Septic - \$150.00
- Water District- \$555.00
- USDA-Wildlife Services- \$1210.00
- M/W School District- \$1445.96
- Soccer Program- \$476.56
- Halloween- \$290.15

Motion by Doug Shute to accept monthly expenses. Second by Sarah Rogers. Motion carried.

**Review of Account Balances:**

Karen Brown was not able to give a report on account balances as she has not been given the most recent Rec. Commission monthly bank account statements. This has been an ongoing problem, despite Karen requesting these. Commissioner Doug Shute will follow-up with Town Administrator to be sure that the Rec. Commission receives bank statements on a regular and consistent basis. Karen Brown told Commissioners that the Town is no longer able to accept

cash donations; rather it needs to be a check. Commission members were unaware of this and found it puzzling.

"The Loyal Order of Moose" gave a \$50 check donation to help cover the costs of the Halloween Candy given out at the Trunk or Treat.

### **Old Business Items**

Gazette: Currently Karen Brown emails The Gazette to many Milton residents and businesses in town. Additionally she has piles of them at the Post Office as well as in the basement of the Emma Ramsey Center. She will also start forwarding it to Kim Ladisheff for her to post to Town website. At this time, Karen is unable to update anything on Town website. In an effort to promote increased awareness of Milton activities, Doug Shute spoke to Superintendent Mr. Tursi who is agreeable to having the Gazette posted on SAU 64 website.

Tennis Court: The Tennis Court remains in an unusable condition, however Commissioner Doug Shute recently spent a day at the Tennis Courts cutting and clearing brush as well as carting it away. Thank you Doug for your hard work.

### **New Business**

Rental Agreements for Emma Ramsey Use:

Motion by Stefanie Berry and second by Sarah Rogers to allow Cub Scouts to use Emma Ramsey basement to hold their Pancake Breakfast on December 6 from 6:00 a.m. to 12:00p.m. Motion carried.

Currently there are 32 children registered for basketball. Discussion on a few situations where fees charged would be a hardship for families. Motion by Andi to offer scholarships on a case-by-case basis and to give Karen Brown permission to work with said families on amounts that they can afford. Second by Stefanie. Motion carried.

Discussion on background checks for people wanting to volunteer with kids' recreational activities in Town of Milton. Town's policy is different from school policy and is costing the Town more money because it is done more frequently. Perhaps a topic to pursue in the future.

On December 6, 2014 at 4:00pm the Milton Women's Club and Milton Rec. Commission will hold tree lighting even at Veteran's Park. There will be caroling and hot cocoa and cookies provided.

### **Any other Business**

Stefanie Berry feels very strongly that there is a need for an official Town Recreation Department website or a regulated Facebook Recreation Page. She and husband Jeff Berry have done research online and found that the majority of surrounding towns have some sort of online recreation page. Andi will follow up with the other selectman to discuss the need for a Recreation Facebook page. Stefanie also informed Commissioners that the consensus from the recent Milton Matters meeting was that Milton townspeople are requesting and searching for more information pertaining to local activities. Local activities including, but not limited to

schools, families, kids, and seniors. If people are interested in being a part of Milton Matters, email DonnaMarie at [donnamarie.currier@sau64.org](mailto:donnamarie.currier@sau64.org)

New sign for beach: Karen Brown had requested 3 quotes for a new sign to replace existing worn-out sign at Town Beach, however she only received one from Tom Drew (it included a smaller and bigger size). Karen will find out price from Tom on bigger sign. Doug Shute made observation that VFW of Rochester is closing and perhaps they would be willing to sell or donate their old sign. He will contact VFW about this.

The leftover \$4700 from past CIP was discussed. In preparation for potential upcoming physical changes to the Beach Andi and Doug will work on gathering quotes for moving the fences.

Karen Brown would like to re-evaluate the Recreation Department’s role in the Election food. Will table this topic to a later date.

The next meeting of the Recreation Commission will be Thursday December 4, 2014 at 6:00pm.

**MOTION** by Andrew Rawson to adjourn. Second by Sarah Rogers. All in favor, motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,  
  
Sarah Rogers

Approved on December \_\_\_\_ 2014