

SALISBURY RECREATION COMMISSION
February 14, 2023

The meeting was called to order at 7:32 pm. on Zoom. Present were Lou Bucceri, Lisa McAuliffe, Raydin Neary, Tim Sinclair, Danny Smith, and Jon Russillo. Chairman Bucceri presided.

Tim moved that the agenda for the meeting be approved as written. Danny seconded the motion, and it was passed unanimously. Tim moved to approve the December 13, 2022 meeting minutes as written. Danny seconded the motion, and it was passed unanimously.

Lisa told us that youth basketball is finishing its season. Once again, it was a regional program that was run at HVRHS. There were clinics for third and fourth graders and travel teams for fifth and sixth graders. The HVRHS boys' coach helped with the fifth and sixth grade teams. There were 91 total participants and every town in Region One except Kent was represented. Hotchkiss resident Adam Turner led a clinic for first and second graders that was very successful.

At Hotchkiss, the adult lap swim continues and the indoor walking program has resumed. Proof of COVID vaccination is required. Due to the unusually mild weather, the skating surface at Trotta Field was never set up. Registration for the Steve Blass Little League has begun. Soon the regional Recreation Directors will meet to discuss spring youth program alternatives.

Lisa reported that the Pope Committee has decided on three concepts for the layout and composition of the proposed affordable housing/recreation facilities. These will be presented to various appropriate local officials before a broader public discussion. Lisa asked Commissioners to join Tim and her at a public hearing on February 21. Lisa then reviewed some of the specifics of the proposals, especially those related to recreation.

In her financial report, Lisa informed us that she stayed within budget for the past fiscal year. Today, she submitted the proposed next budget to Comptroller Joe Cleaveland. The most notable item is a requested increase in funds designated for maintaining Community Field. Hotchkiss can no longer provide this service to us, but the school is giving the town a batting tunnel. We simply have to transport it.

Raydin moved to adjourn at 7:56 pm. The motion was seconded by Danny and unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Louis J. Bucceri
Chairman