

SALISBURY RECREATION COMMISSION
November 14, 2023

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm. on Zoom. Present were Lou Bucceri, Lisa McAuliffe, Raydin Neary, Jon Rusillo, Tim Sinclair, Danny Smith, and David Valcin. Chairman Bucceri presided.

David moved that the agenda for the meeting be approved as written. Tim seconded the motion, and it was passed unanimously. David moved to approve the September 12, 2023 meeting minutes as written. Danny seconded the motion, and it was passed unanimously.

Lisa informed us that the frequent weekend rainy days this fall resulted in many cancellations during the youth recreation soccer season. The adult lap swim at Hotchkiss has been well attended. Public skate sessions will start at Hotchkiss in January. Youth basketball travel teams start practices tonight and begin games during the first weekend of December.

Lisa reported that the Pope Land Committee is coming to the end of its process. Current difficulties center on housing rather than recreational issues. Previous to the meeting, Lisa circulated two concepts of design/redesign, one for the area known as Trotta Recreation Complex (recreational portion of Pope land) and the other for Community Field. After a discussion concerning field layout and future use of fields at Salisbury Central School, David moved to endorse the Trotta concept for further review. Tim seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

In her financial report, Lisa noted that expenses have all been within budget.

Danny and Lou informed the group that they are each seeking another six-year term as Commissioner. As Vice Chair, Tim assumed leadership of the meeting and Danny and Lou were temporarily excused. Discussion of a recommendation followed. David moved that the Commission recommend to the Board of Selectmen the reappointment of both Danny and Lou. Jon seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously. Danny and Lou were then readmitted to the meeting.

The Community Field concept was explained by Lisa and discussed. There was also discussion over possible improvements to the Railroad Ramble which connects with Community Field.

Raydin moved to adjourn at 8:10 pm. The motion was seconded by David and unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Louis J. Bucceri
Chair