

SALISBURY RECREATION COMMISSION

September 9, 2025

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. Present were Lou Bucceri, Becky Lachaine, Lisa McAuliffe, Jon Russillo, Tim Sinclair, Danny Smith, and David Valcin. Chairman Bucceri presided.

David moved that the agenda for the meeting be approved as written. Jon seconded the motion, and it was passed unanimously. David moved to approve the May 13, 2025 meeting minutes as written. Danny seconded the motion, and it was passed unanimously.

Lisa reported that summer programs all ran smoothly. The number of participants in general was significantly lower than in previous years, but this allows the recreation department to work more closely with Extras, giving them a camp-like experience. Lisa also reported that the pickleball courts are open and getting a lot of use.

Soccer starts this weekend. Mini soccer has 15–20 participants registered. There are only 4 kids registered for 1st/2nd grade soccer, and Lisa is trying to send them to Canaan to play. Lisa is working with Adam Bunce to try to find a coach for the Canaan team. Numbers are low as many of the kids participate in club soccer. Regional fall tennis is being offered for 1st–4th graders, and Canaan Little League is offering fall baseball.

The wood turtle study was completed on the Pope Property, and Lisa distributed a map showing their habitat. Their habitat covers the wetlands area we do not use for recreation and most of the minor baseball field's outfield. Lisa reported that the housing portion of the Pope Property is years away from any development, and it should be possible for the recreation piece to move forward sooner. Lisa will need to go before Zoning and Planning (P&Z) for an 8/24 review. Lou will write a proposal to P&Z on the three uses of the property.

Lou received thank-you notes from the two SCS 8th-grade students who were recipients of the PE Award at graduation in June. The recipients were Phoebe Conklin and Sasha Loucks.

No financial report was available at the time of the meeting, but Lisa assured us that she had not spent much since the last report, and we are financially sound.

David moved to adjourn at 8:16 p.m. The motion was seconded by Jon and unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Rebecca Lachaine
Secretary