SALISBURY RECREATION COMMISSION
July 14, 2026

The meeting was called to order at 7:31 p.m. Present were Lou Bucceri, Becky Lachaine, Lisa McAuliffe, Jon Russillo, Tim Sinclair, Danny Smith. Chairman Bucceri presided.

Becky moved that the agenda for the meeting be approved as written. Jon seconded the motion, and it was passed unanimously. Jon moved to approve the January 13, 2026 meeting minutes as written. Tim seconded the motion, and it was passed unanimously.

Lisa reported that basketball went great. The numbers were strong in both the 1st/2nd grade age group as well as with the 3rd/4th grade group. There were also a couple of travel teams. The volunteer coaches were great and Lisa got positive feedback from the parents. Lap swim and walking club continued to be a success with many participants.

Flag football was offered over the spring, for ages 6-9, at The Hotchkiss School on Sundays. The program was run by Dempsey and Jack Quinn, along with help from some of the Hotchkiss football players. A program will be offered this fall for ages 7-10 with practices twice a week and games on Sundays.

Summer programs are up and running. Swim lesson and swim team numbers are low. The first swim meet was held last Thursday. Lisa happily reported that some former swim team alumni helped run the meet. Tennis is going well and being run by a couple of high school students.

The July 4th storm wreaked havoc causing many downed trees at Trotta. A couple of soccer goals were damaged, but Lisa was grateful that there was no damage to the storage sheds. A large tree fell by the tennis courts on Community Field, just missing the fence and courts.

Lisa is waiting for Curtis and Joe's annual meeting with The Hotchkiss School to discuss the new policy that was implemented, only allowing Salisbury and Sharon residents to participate in lap swim. Approximately 1/3 of the participants live in area towns and many have been swimming with the program for over 10 years.

There was no update on the Pope Property. Lisa is working with Aquarian regarding a location for the tennis courts on Community Field. The courts must be 15 ft away from the monitoring wells which are located throughout the field. Aquarian is willing to move some of the monitoring wells if Lisa is unable to find room for the courts. Lisa said we have a two year window on this project and is hopeful to get started next spring.

No financial report was available at time of meeting, but this in only the second week of the new fiscal year and all is financially sound.

Lou read a thank you note from Allegra Najdek, who was one of the recipients of the 8th grade SCS PE Award .

Danny asked about how regional middle school sports are going now that it's in its third year. Lou said it seems to be working well and emphasized that this is the only system that will work in the area since enrollment in the region is declining.

Becky moved to adjourn at 7:58 p.m. The motion was seconded by Jon and unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Rebecca Lachaine
Secretary