

## **Greensboro Recreation Committee Meeting 5/4/2026**

Topic: **Recreation Committee Meeting**

Time: **May 4, 2026, 4 PM** Eastern Time

Where: **Town Hall Meeting Room in person**

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Meeting ID: 824 558 6005

### **MINUTES (DRAFT)**

Meeting was called to order by Chair Jennifer Ranz at 4:04 P.M. In addition to Jennifer those present were Dede Stabler, Lisa Sartorius, Ila Hunt, Rob Brigham, Michael Malick, Burr Gray, John Schweitzer and Celeste Hall.

First order of business was the Swim Program. Dave Kelley will talk to Sabrina about getting an accurate count of those who have signed up and he will ask about evidence of proficiencies from the program. He'll also touch base with high school about emailed notices. Ila reported currently there are 33 people signed up. We have paid for 50, and can fund more if there is interest. John S. suggested having an event to incentivize learning to swim.

Dave will also follow up an exact amount of funds now in the budget. Best guess is 3k. Celeste Hall and her husband, Ryan are involved in providing youth soccer during the summer (30 kids each week 6-7 weeks) at the ball field using Wildcat equipment, insurance and training. Children from Orleans county: Irasburg, Newport, Derby participated.

There was discussion about a grant for plantings around Beach and Lake to reduce runoff into the Lake. Conservation Commission and Beach Committee are involved.

Next was discussion of skating rink. David noted it needs a new liner and more volunteers especially to clear snow. Dave mentioned hockey eqmt. is available and John Schweitzer bought skates for people who don't have them. The Committee needs a copy of the MOU between the Town and the Highland Center. Dave said he would get that. Agreed we need better communications about skating rink. Hours, needs etc.

On April 17<sup>th</sup> a structural engineer, Tim Schaal came to the Town Hall for a first look to examine the building to determine the buildings integrity. Present were MacNeil, Tim Brennen, Rob Brigham, Jennifer Ranz and Naomi Ranz-Schleifer. Schaal made notes where he will need observation holes on every floor when he returns tentatively on May 21st. MacNeil emailed Schaal agreeing to do the forensic work needed to complete the comprehensive inspection. Local architect, Jay Barrett is doing a code analysis. The code analysis and structural reports along with a Fire Marshal inspection will help to determine the possible use of the gymnasium. Jennifer suggested that the Town have an Open House on The 4th of July at the building to

discuss other potential uses.(pickle ball, exercise classes, basketball and other activities mentioned). The Town Hall gymnasium is a valuable community resource that would provide indoor space for a variety of activities.

Next was a discussion of the Bend Park. It was reported that one of the picnic tables is missing. Agreed the trash barrel is a problem. We should use carry in-carry out like we do at the Beach. John will make some of those signs. The basketball court is also a possible pickleball court and Michael Malick is researching protecting the basketball poles and painting lines. There is need for purchasing another pickleball net. A block party with music, food, activities sponsored by the Greensboro Community Trust, Greensboro Association, Rec Committee is scheduled there for August 8.

There was discussion of the great many events going on for recreation this summer but a sense that there has been inadequate communication so that people can be aware of everything. There was discussion of how we might make better use of the Town website. Agreement to get photographs and descriptions of our recreational resources and try to inventory all or recreational resources and perhaps coordinate with a facebook page (including events with other organizations (HCA, Conservation Commission, Beach Committee, MVCC) Celeste suggested a children's golf clinic at MVCC. John Schweitzer said he would gather information. There was then a discussion about the fact that Greensboro is revising the Town Plan. Agreed we should have input as the Rec Committee to highlight the importance of our town's recreational resources and infrastructure, particularly concerning ways to improve safety for walking and biking.

Dave Kelley had to leave at this point. Rob Brigham took over note taking.

Rob Brigham was assigned and agreed to oversee inspection of Town Hall May 21st by Engineer and will follow up with the Select board to see if the 4 code violations from the 2024 Fire Marshal report have been addressed.

Burr Gray informed group of Sailing races in August and brought up possibility for sailing lessons.

**Next Meeting Monday June 8th at 4pm in the Town Hall Meeting Room.**

Meeting Adjourned: 5:15 PM