

Recreation Commission Regular Meeting
Wednesday, November 2, 2022
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- 2 The regular Recreation Commission meeting was held Wednesday, November 2, 2022 at Stowe Arena starting at 5:00 P.M.
- 3 Members present: Lynn Altadonna, Ryan Thibault, Dave Rogers, Forrest Shinnars, Matt Frazee. Absent: Ed Stahl, Brett Loomis. Audience:
- 4 **5:17pm called to order. Agenda Approved**
- 5 **DR motioned to approve the minutes RT second**
- 6 **Field Use Fees**
- 7 Matt presented the current fees for field rentals and shared comparisons from other communities in Vermont. Nick Donza, Selectboard suggested that the Recreation Commission consider raising rental fees to help offset increasing costs of staffing and maintenance. In FY 23 there is \$12,823 budgeted for rental revenue. The mowing for Polo and Events Fields were bid out this year due to staffing for a total of \$42,750. Dave asked if the goal was to break even. Matt said no, it is understood that the fields are partially subsidized and serve the community for athletics and that events also bring in additional revenues to the Town but cost of staffing, equipment, fuel and other things have increased significantly.
- 8 After further discussion, Forrest made a motion to make a recommendation to the Selectboard to raise fees to the following: Large Events - \$1500 per day and \$250 per additional field and per set-up/clean up day. Small Events - \$500 per day and \$250 per additional field and per set-up/clean up day. Non-profit organizations/events receive 25% discount on event fees. Adult Athletics \$350 for season plus \$35 per use. Youth Athletics - \$300 per season.
- 9 Lynn seconded the motion, all in favor.
- 10 **Summer Camp Rates**
- 11 Matt shared the current rates for summer camp and the increased costs of staffing and transportation for the camp. Matt shared that they had to increase pay rates for summer camp staff above what was budgeted in FY23 to try to remain on level with other camps in the area as well as other jobs in general. Also anticipating further raising pay rates for next year. Matt also shared that they transportation cost more than doubled which was partially due to larger than expected enrollment but also due to increased cost of fuel and busing staff rates.
- 12 Ryan made a motion to make a recommendation to the Selectboard to increase the summer camp fees by \$100 per full camp registration (8 weeks) and by \$10 per week for weekly registration.
- 13 Dave seconded the motion, all in favor.
- 14 **other business.**

15 none

6:37p Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted

Matt Frazee