

Orange Recreation Committee  
Meeting Minutes  
Orange Town Hall  
6/19/2024, 6:30pm

In attendance: Eric Holmgren, Sheila Stone, Michael Raboin, Kevin Wilson, David Gomo, Janis Blais, Emily Ruff, Rod Coronado, Dirk Anderson, Betzy Bancroft, Kristin Paya, Lee Youngman

1. Call meeting to order- Moderator Blais called the meeting to order at 6:35pm

2. Approve Agenda- On a motion by Youngman seconded by Bancroft the agenda was approved unanimously. Ruff was selected as Secretary for meeting.

3. Approve minutes from previous meeting- This was postponed to a later time in the meeting to allow all members to review minutes circulated.

4. Recreation Committee Policy Review- Youngman discussed a proposed draft of the Committee Governance Policy emailed prior to the meeting. The committee agreed to review this policy for action at the next meeting.

5. Review Town Forest Maps- The committee did not have maps from Planning Commission or CVRPC available to review, but discussed Town Forest Management and meeting with the Planning Commission to review future plans. It was agreed by consensus to meet with the Planning Commission on July 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm to discuss Town Forest Management. Lee Cattaneo and CVRPC will be contacted to request any historic or recent versions of maps available.

6. Budget Discussion/Consider Fundraiser for Gazebo- Wilson presented budget information on the Gazebo. It was identified that there is money due to be received for this account, and a list of expenses is needed to be drafted. Wilson will contact NEMRC to identify remaining funds for this budget for review at the next meeting. Youngman will gather details for furniture, flower, and stain budget expense numbers. Raboin indicated there are significant needs at the Rec Field including repair from ruts created at a recent event, drainage, cleaning areas behind dugout, securing power meter, and setting up accessible parking among other needs. It was agreed to visit the Rec Field at the next meeting to review Rec Field needs and begin establishing a budget. Fundraiser ideas were discussed. Blais will research Coin Drop details aiming for an event in late September or early October. Pie for Breakfast was discussed in concert with the Town's Anniversary. The Committee discussed holding this event on Saturday August 10<sup>th</sup>, assuming the town hall is available, and to discuss with members not present at the next meeting to plan details. Paya will gather details for a Car Show. A raffle for the holidays was also discussed as a fundraiser, and a potluck or barbecue at the rec field was discussed as an event to gather community and build momentum.

7 Discuss other Business- Moderator Blais invited members to share their interest in joining this committee. Members shared their experiences and why they want to contribute to the town through this committee.

On a motion made by Anderson and seconded by Paya, the May 30<sup>th</sup> meeting minutes were unanimously approved.

9. Choose moderator, determine agenda, and choose date and time for next rec. committee meeting- Janis Blais volunteered to serve as moderator for the next meeting. On a motion made by Youngman and seconded by Ruff, Blais was voted moderator for the next meeting unanimously. Next meeting Wednesday, July 10, 2024 @ 6:30pm, to be held at Town Hall to meet with Planning Commission, then relocate to Recreation Field for remaining business. Proposed agenda for next meeting appears at the bottom of minutes.

10. Adjourn- Ruff made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 pm seconded by Anderson, voted unanimously.

Next Agenda:

1. Call to Order
2. Approve Agenda
3. Select Secretary
4. Approve Minutes
5. Review Town Forest with Planning Commission
6. Visit Town Recreation Field and discuss budget expense needs
7. Review Gazebo Budget
8. Review Fundraiser Update (coin drop, pie for breakfast, car show)
9. Review Governance Policy
10. Discuss Other Business
11. Determine next meeting agenda, moderator, and time/date
12. Adjournment