

CITY OF DOVER

RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD - MINUTES

Meeting Type: Regular Meeting
Meeting Location: McConnell Center, 61 Locust Street, Dover, NH 03820,
Room 224
Meeting Date: Monday, April 14, 2025
Meeting Time: **6:00pm**

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Call To Order at 6:06pm

Roll Call

Present: Kevin Hebert (Recreation Director), Dennis Munson, Erika Friedman (Aquatics Facility Manager), David Beaulieu (Secretary), Rick Mikulis (Vice-chair), John O'Connor, Jessica Nyby, Chris Jennings, Jeff LePak, Beth Fischer, Chris Hitchcock (Arena Facility Manager), Mike Young (Arena Programming & Marketing Supervisor), Pat Campbell, Donovan Ingle (Alternate)

GUESTS: Matt Charbono, Katie Smith;

Absent: Erika Holton (Rec Program Supervisor Aquatics), Anthony Retrosi (City Council Liaison), Kathy Morrison, Ricky Conway (Assistant Recreation Director), Heather Twombly (Chair)

Approval of Minutes for March 10, 2025

Approved by Dennis Munson; Seconded by Dave Beaulieu

Public Forum:

None

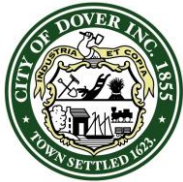
Reports:

Advisory Board:

- Beth provided a brief overview for Waterfront Development programming space. Asked the board to consider repurposing the former Great Bay Rowing Building versus tearing it down.

Recreation Assistant Director, Ricky Conway (Kevin provided report):

- Spring programs are beginning. Many programs saved with funding restored for the Supervisor position.
- 30 new bricks at Veteran's Park. Working to create an app with locus on it.
- Ballfields are open
- Rec Staff volunteered at the Red's Road Race
- Army Band is scheduled to play on Saturday July 5th.
- Two separate fires were reported at the McConnell Center having to do with motors. Siemens HVAC reviewing entire building.
- Future leases for McConnell tenants will be reviewed by Rec Board



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Aquatic Facility Manager, Erika Friedman:

- Summer program registrations ongoing.
- Competing with other organizations/companies for help.
- Jenny Thompson Pool schedule will be similar to last year.
- Will work with local organizations like 'Adopt-a-spot' to beautify the area.

Arena Facility Manager, Chris Hitchcock:

- Off-Ice events such as Roller Derby and a Dog Show are beginning.
- Camp-Cool will begin registration soon
- The Holt ice-sheet will be coming out mid-May.

Old Business:

E-mail addresses:

- Working toward getting entire board on the city e-mail.

New Business:

RAB-MCAB Update:

- Approved to merge.

Budget Update-Program Supervisor-3rd Camp Summer 2026(Theatre)

- Working toward more offerings.
- Plan to add another playground camp summer of 2026.

Heyliger Awards-Debrief, Thank You Letter/Notes:

- Award Ceremony occurred Tuesday, March 25th hosted by the Dover Moose Hall.
- Had very positive feedback about the evening.
- Always looking for new ideas for improvement.

Leases -Casa, (Unity 4-30, Community Solutions 6-30)

- Losing two tenants but have a few options to fill the vacancies.

DYH Donation-2nd Scoreboard:

- Derry Medical/Imaging funding a scoreboard.
- DYH working on funding for a second.
- Both boards should be installed by this fall.



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Other?:

- Skatepark will be scheduling maintenance for cracks.
- A question arose about a possible Phase II which was a possible walking/biking trail system.
- The Pavilion buildings at Henry Law Park were scheduled for new roofs at one time. Where does that stand?
- Farmers Market is at the rear of the ice arena lot. That location is working well.
- Pool lighting is coming soon.

Adjourn:

Motion to adjourn meeting was made by Dennis Munson. Motion was seconded by John O'Connor; Vote was unanimous to adjourn.

Next Meeting is scheduled for May 12th

Respectfully submitted,
David Beaulieu