

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, May 12, 2025
Meeting Time: **6:00pm**

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Call To Order at 6:00pm

Roll Call

Present: Kevin Hebert (Recreation Director), Dennis Munson, Erika Friedman (Aquatics Facility Manager), Heather Twombly (Chair), David Beaulieu (Secretary), John O'Connor, Katie Smith, Beth Fischer, Chris Hitchcock (Arena Facility Manager), Mike Young (Arena Programming & Marketing Supervisor), Donovan Ingle (Alternate), Anthony Retrosi (City Council Liaison); Ricky Conway (Assistant Recreation Director)

Absent: Erika Holton (Rec Program Supervisor Aquatics), Kathy Morrison, Rick Mikulis (Vice-Chair), Jessica Nyby, Jeff LePak, Pat Campbell, Chris Jennings

Approval of Minutes for April 14, 2025

Approved by John O'Connor; Seconded by Dennis Munson

Public Forum:

None

Reports:

Advisory Board:

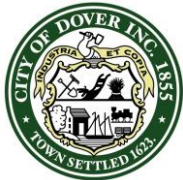
- Beth noted the Butler Building at the Waterfront Development had been torn down. Also the Dover Rotary Cleanup Day is June 7th from 9-10.
- Dave reported a few items needing attention at the Willand Pond Trail. Discussion about boundary between Somersworth & Dover.

Recreation Assistant Director, Ricky Conway:

- Staffing levels are full.
- Basketball programs wrap up between June 7 & June 26th.
- Trash collection at downtown parks is M-W-F

Aquatic Facility Manager, Erika Friedman:

- Summer program registrations start the week of May 19th.
- Jenny Thompson Pool will open May 19th and close Aug 10th to allow renovations to begin. JTP Activities will be shifted to indoor pool to complete season.
- Indoor pool is running well and waiting on parts to replace lighting.



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Arena Facility Manager, Chris Hitchcock:

- A cracked glycol line was repaired but forced the ice-out 3-week early. An insurance claim was filed.
- Roller Derby practicing weekly.
- Camp-Cool will begin June 23rd.
- Cleaning & Painting now along with landscaping.

Old Business:

E-mail Addresses:

- Working toward getting entire board on the city e-mail.
- Goal of July 1st to get everyone on.

DYH Donation – 2nd Scoreboard:

- Donation pending public hearing Wednesday May 14th with final approval coming at next meeting.
- Both scoreboards can then be purchased for Holt & Foster.

Heyliger Awards-Debrief:

- Event went well and seeking feedback.
- Would like to add introductions like the Mayor and potentially open invitations to more honoree family members.

New Business:

Park Visits:

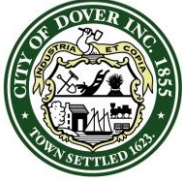
- Looking to have board members select certain parks to review monthly. Considering options to report issues like a ticket to submit or utilize an on-line portal.
- Reviewing water Spicket issue at Henry Law Park.

Tree Lighting Re-Vamp:

- Considering new ideas like a candlelight stroll.
- Ceremony is same night as festival of trees.

Adjourn:

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



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Next Meeting is scheduled for June 9th.

Meeting location TBD

Respectfully submitted,
David Beaulieu