

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, January 12, 2026
Meeting Time: **6:00pm**

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Call To Order at 6:00pm

Roll Call

Members Present: Kevin Hebert (Recreation Director), David Beaulieu (Secretary), Jeff LePak, John O'Connor, Beth Fischer, Jessica Nyby (Vice Chair), Heather Twombly (Chair), Donovan Ingle (Alternate), Ricky Conway (Assistant Recreation Director), Pat Campbell, Chris Jennings, Erika Holton (Rec Program Supervisor Aquatics)

Members Absent: Dennis Munson, Alex Ferrell (Alternate), Jess Hurley, Kate Smith, Anthony Retrosi (City Council Liaison), Chris Hitchcock (Arena Facility Manager), Mike Young (Arena Programming & Marketing Supervisor), Erika Friedman (Aquatics Facility Manager)

Approval of Minutes for December 8, 2025

Motion to approve: Jessica Nyby; 2nd: Pat Campbell; Vote: All in Favor

Public Forum:

None

Reports:

Advisory Board:

Beth:

- United Way Day of Caring is coming in the spring. Have we requested their services?
- Has the discussion about a living Christmas tree moved forward?
- Has deterioration of raised beds at Rotary Garden been discussed?
- Faces of Dover discussion.
- Have Veteran's Park bricks been mapped yet?
- Have we collaborated with new Pickleball facility coming to former Ames Store space?
- Sections of Community Trail are icy. Can we check areas?

Jessica Nyby

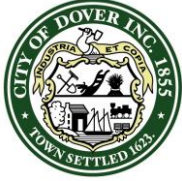
- made a motion to amend the minutes to explore all options for Heyliger Awards location. 2nd by John O'Connor.

Pat Cambell

- made a motion to amend the minutes to better reflect the discussion on lifeguard wages being reviewed outside the city limits. 2nd by Heather Twombly.

Recreation Assistant Director, Ricky Conway:

- Winter programming is underway.
- Senior Center activities are in high demand. Considering opportunities to expand fitness areas.



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Aquatic Facility Manager, Erika Friedman: (Erica Holton Reporting):

- All programs are busy with waitlists.
- Lack of instructors and Lifeguards. More lifeguards will be onboarding in the coming weeks.
- Swimming lessons are running smoothly.
- Jenny Thompson Pool site is ongoing. A temporary walkway was constructed to get from skate park lot to arena.

Arena Facility Manager, Chris Hitchcock: (Kevin Hebert Reporting):

- Public skating is popular over winter break.
- Dover to play Saint Thomas on MLK Day.
- A recognition of new scoreboards from DMC will take place at the game.

Old Business:

Heyliger Award Planning:

- Nominations forms to go out soon.
- All options for a venue to be explored considering capacity, food expense, & expanded participation.

New Business:

Budget Update:

- All member e-mails to be migrated to City address.
- All programs are under review including staffing, programming, fees, etc.
- City Council will review in February.
- The new door projects at the Pool and Arena will be approved soon to address the accessibility issue.
- Recreation to start a volleyball program in the spring.

Adjourn:

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

Next Meeting is scheduled for February 9th.

Respectfully submitted,
David Beaulieu