

# Hinsdale Community Recreation Committee

Thursday, August 27, 2020  
6:00 pm  
Millstream Community Center

<b>Attendees:</b>	Sean Leary, Chair; Amanda Sweetser- Vice chair, Ann Diorio- Treasurer, Karyn Hammond- Secretary, Bernie Rideout- Selectman, Sarah Hudon- Program Director, Maryanne O'Malley (HASP), Gail Roberts, and Kathryn Lynch and Theresa Diorio- Hinsdale Beautification Committee, Sam Kilelee, Katie Leonard
<b>Excused:</b>	N/A
<b>Others present:</b>	Jill Collins

## *Minutes*

<b>Agenda item:</b>	Acceptance of minutes from meeting 6/10/20	<b>Presenter:</b>	Sean Leary
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Motion made by Ann ; Seconded by Gail; Passed

<b>Agenda item:</b>	Treasurer's Report	<b>Presenter:</b>	Ann Diorio
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**Discussion:** See attached report.

Motion to accept made by Bernie; Seconded by Katie; Accepted as stated (Passed)

<b>Agenda item:</b>	Program Director Report	<b>Presenter:</b>	Sarah Hudon
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**Discussion: See Fall Sports section below**

Jill took a moment to recognize Sarah and Tammy Stebbins for all of their work to create fun activities for young residents to participate in as summer camp did not take place this past season.

<b>Agenda item:</b>	Beautification Committee/Farmer's Market	<b>Presenter:</b>	Kathryn Lynch/Theresa Diorio
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**Discussion:**

Kathryn reported that Outdoor Hinsdale is scheduled for Sept 18, 19, 20. Outdoor Movie is scheduled for Sept 19.

The Beautification Committee planted all the flowers downtown. Kathryn reported that the water has now been fixed at the Community Center; and that Mr Freitas appreciates this.

HBC is working on planning a version of Trunk or Treat. Kathryn also reported that most craft fairs are cancelling; no other events at this time.

Theresa reported that Veteran’s funding has been approved at Hinsdale’s Farmers’ Market as well as at two other markets. Theresa reported an increased number of new vendors this season. She also stated that attendance has been up since the market opened in mid-June. A Kids’ Market is a potential event at the Farmers’ Market as there have been more young entrepreneurs this season.

Action items		Person responsible	Deadline
N/A		N/A	N/A
<b>Agenda item:</b>	Fall Sports	<b>Presenter:</b>	Sarah Hudon/Sam Kilillee

**Discussion:**

Sam provided handouts (as guidelines for HCRC) of the protocols for HMHS that he and the AT at HMHS worked on for their sports programs; see attached reports. The committee discussed how most students and parents have become accustomed to masks and social distancing, and how participating in sports safely is important for students’ mental health and it is considered by many to be more harmful to not participate.

Sarah reviewed her recommendation for Fall Sports (see attached) and reported she modeled her recommendations after the Cal Ripken program from this past summer, as well as with consideration for Sam’s protocols. She concurred that it would be ideal to have Hinsdale students stay/play locally. Sarah reported that she has not yet been able to connect with Brett to discuss soccer. Sarah’s goal is to be able to hold a 6-week season. Issues such as bathrooms being closed (d/t COVID precautions, cleaning needs) were discussed. Town facilities/bathrooms are not open per Jill because of this.

Sarah’s Fall Sports Recommendations were further discussed. Sarah explained that her proposal is fluid. Sam voiced concerns about no games being played and no travel. Sarah clarified that she would prefer no games outside of town/no travel outside town. Kathryn proposed Sarah connect with some of the Rec soccer coaches to determine what may work best. Maryanne asked how Sarah felt about having Rec games/practices or some hybrid one day per week rather than several. Sarah reported she is willing to accept any coaching help, depending on coach availability. This would be reviewed with available coaches. Katie reported that she feels PreK is developmentally too challenging for most students, and that she is pleased to see soccer start at K level and older in Sarah’s recommendations. Katie, Sam reviewed smaller-sized teams for this season. Sam suggested that field size be adjusted based on team size, and that duration be adjusted based on generally-decreased activity levels/no sports since spring, as well as based on what is age-appropriate. The committee reviewed that another bullet/point could be added to Sarah’s proposal for Sarah to make modifications as needed.

Motion to accept Sarah’s Fall Sports Recommendations (with allowance for Sarah to make modifications as needed): Kathryn made the motion; Katie seconded. Sarah’s recommendations passed.

Ann proposed Sarah make her presentation to the Select Board at the next meeting; Jill proposed that Sarah attend the next meeting on Monday, August 31. Sarah to do so.

Action items		Person responsible	Deadline
✓	Review Fall Sports Program Recommendations to SelectBoard Aug 31	Sarah	Aug 31

<b>Agenda item:</b>	Meeting Adjourned	<b>6:53 PM</b>	
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Motion made by Ann; Seconded by Sam; Passed

Next HCRC meeting: Thursday Sept 24, 2020