

**Town of Auburn
Parks and Recreation Commission
February 1, 2022
6:00 pm
Auburn Safety Complex**

Commissioners Present: Zach Eaton, Chairman; Margie McEvoy, Vice Chairman; Jennifer Strabone; Pat Kelly; Dave Oliveira; Mary Royer

Others Present: Amy Lachance, P&R Coordinator

2022 Budget Update – As it's the start of the new year, there isn't much to report. We cannot start spending from the 2022 budget until the town election on March 8th. We'll know by the next meeting if the budget passed or if we'll be working from the default budget.

2021 Hiltz Award Recipients- The recipients will be invited to the next Commission meeting to present their award.

Skating Rink Update- With Mike away for 3 months, Dave & Sue Jenkins took on the role of "Rink Masters". They have been clearing the rinks and even constructed a homemade zamboni for the new rink. After a month in that role, due to health reason, Dave is not able to finish out the season. With a combination of volunteers, Commissioners and staff, we'll take care of the snow as needed.

Senior Dinner- The Senior Dinner was rescheduled from January 29th to February 5th because of snow. The dinner will be takeout style. The cooking and the pickup will be held at the Longmeadow Church. There are 66 people registered.

Bunny Breakfast- Amy proposed a new program for the Easter/Spring season. The tentative date would be Saturday, April 2nd. The school has been reserved and Shawn Matte has agreed to be the Bunny. The menu is undecided at this point. Families will need to pre-register for a scheduled seating time. To be covid safe, we'll have each family have their own table with activities for the kids left at each table. Amy and Jen will begin working on the event. More details will be shared once it all comes together. Any help at the event would be appreciated.

Town-Wide Yard Sale- Two dates were proposed of the annual yard sale. The group agreed on Saturday, May 14th. Margie suggested offering a location for those that don't want to set up at their own homes. Mary also suggested that participants indicate what types of items will be sold at their location. That will be added to the registration form.

Tiny Tot and Tot Soccer- Amy suggested offering a new soccer program for 3-year-olds called "Tiny Tot" soccer. This will be offered at 9:00 am, for 30 minutes on Saturdays, before the Tot soccer at 10:00 am. Pat said the 9:00 time would work for scheduling if using the middle section of the field.

Town Building/Snow Removal- Again, while Mike is away for the winter, someone was needed to clear the snow from the walkways at the Town Hall, Library and Safety Complex. Scott Dube from AVS will be taking care of that this winter and has been doing a great job.

Auburn Little League- Registration is open. Opening day is May 7th.

Auburn Soccer Club- Registration will open shortly.

Review of Minutes- Ms Royer motioned to accept the minutes of December 6, 2021, Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting. Ms Strabone seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr Oliviera motioned to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Kelly seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 5 at 6:00 pm at the Safety Complex.