TOWN OF GRANBY PARKS & RECREATION BOARD SPECIAL MEETING

Tuesday, September 2, 2025

Members Present: Anthony McGovern, Greg Dion, Jared Barry, Fran Armentano, and Sheri

Litchfield

Staff Present: Terri Ziemnicki

Absent: Valerie Eastman

Public: Robert & Jenette Fetzner, 112 Case Street, West Granby

Chairman McGovern called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: On a motion by G. Dion, seconded by J. Barry, the Board approved the August 12th Special Meeting minutes as written (less two abstentions)

PUBLIC SESSION

Robert & Jenette Fetzner, 112 Case St, were in attendance. J. Fetzner said they wanted to "take the temperature" of the Board with regards to the Town using organic pesticides. Chairman McGovern stated that the role of the Park and Rec Board was to serve as an Advisory Board. J. Fetzner shared the information regarding her finding on the use of pesticides and their effects. At the conclusion of their presentation, the Board had an opportunity to ask some questions. Once that concluded, Chairman McGovern thanked the Fetzner's for coming and sharing the information. At that time, he closed the Public Session.

OLD BUSINESS

- a. Parks Mater Plan status only
- b. The Board members reviewed the Park Study slides that S. Yost is presenting at the BOS meeting tonight. Prepared for presentation at the September 2 BOS meeting.
- c. Fee/Use/Pricing Policy progress and next steps Chairman McGovern asked the subcommittee where they were with regards to presenting the policy they are working on. G. Dion said he still hasn't met with V. Eastman yet. He and S. Litchfield plan to get together with her and present their suggestions at the next Park and Rec Board meeting. It was requested that it be sent out to the other members for review prior to the meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

a. Input from the staff

Summer Day Camp numbers were down, Mission: Adventure was sold out. The other one-week camps like CAS Soccer, Chris Corkums Baseball Camp, etc, all did well. Staff will be working on ways to get the camp numbers up for next summer.

T. Ziemnicki went over the Capital Projects that are coming up.

A discussion ensued about the decrease of the children population in Granby. F. Armentano stated that the State did a population study based on census.

b. Board Roundtable

Daphne Shinder

The Board had a discussion regarding the pesticide information presented by R. & J. Fetzner and what the next steps should be. To do some fact finding, Chairman McGovern is going to reach out to Town Manager Walsh and the Public Works Department to gain an understanding of what is being used and frequency.

ADJOURNMENT

ON A MOTION by S. Litchfield, seconded by F. Armentano, the meeting was adjourned at 8:24pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Daphne Shinder Recording Secretary