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Members Present:

Staff Present:

Andrea Kenney

Chairman Pat Paulson Commissioner Christine Ucich Commissioner Ann Corris Commissioner Chris Murray

Chairman Paulson called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. Roll was called, and a quorum was present.

<u>Item #1 -Approval of Minutes</u>

MOTION was made by Commissioner Ucich to approve the minutes of the November 21, 2022 meeting. Commissioner Corris seconded. All were in favor; none were opposed and none abstained. MOTION CARRIED

MOTION was made by Commissioner Ucich to table the minutes of the December 13, 2022 meeting. Commissioner Corrs seconded. All were in favor; none were opposed and none abstained. **MOTION TABLED**

<u>Item #2 -Correspondence</u>

None

<u>Item #3-Rink Manager's Report</u>

Andrea spoke about the rink. She said all seems to be going well, the ice looks good and public skate and stick time are both doing very well. Stick time was held during school vacation with at least 10-12 kids attending sessions in full gear. Chairman Paulson asked if they were getting the information out about stick time to the residents and Andrea stated that Chris has been reaching out to the hockey community as well as promoting it on social media and the Recreation Department website.

<u>Item #4-Director's Report</u>

Andrea gave the report as Liz was absent. There are some new programs being launched, men's basketball league is starting up soon, the new toddler program was a big hit. She is finding that some programs will have to be scheduled on nights and weekends and later times to accommodate the working parents in town which is fine as they want to be able to offer programs to all. Andrea said it has been great to see the resident's come out and utilizing what the town has to offer. Chairman Paulson asked about the concession stand at

the rink and Andrea stated that what she was told from Michelle was that although a bid was awarded to La Cucina, the construction inside is not yet complete and as soon as that is done, the stand will be up and running.

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<u>Item #5-To discuss and take possible action regarding school field trip prices for the rink for East Haven Schools</u>

Andrea spoke to the commission regarding fees for ice rink school field trips. It was suggested that a \$5.00 per child fee for EH schools and a \$7.00 per child fee for out-of-town schools be implemented for field trip fees to use the rink. That fee includes the ice time and skate rental. There are schools that come in multiple shifts to accommodate the number of students and to make sure there are ample skates to be used as same age groups tend to all be around the same size, so it makes it easier to split up those groups. Commissioner Murray made a MOTION to accept the suggested fees of \$5.00 per student fee for East Haven schools and a \$7.00 per student fee for out-of-town students be implemented for field trips to the rink. Commissioner Corris seconded. All were in favor; none were opposed and none abstained. MOTION CARRIED

Item #6- To consider and act upon any other matter to come before the Commission

The meeting dates for 2023 and January 24 were discussed as the list has to be filed with the Town Clerk. **MOTION** made by Commissioner Corris and seconded by Commissioner Ucich to accept the dates for the 2023 and January 2024 meetings. All were in favor; none were opposed and none abstained. **MOTION CARRIED**

There being no further business to come before the commission, a MOTION to adjourn the meeting was made by Commissioner Ucich and seconded by Commissioner Murray at 7:18 pm. All were in favor; none were opposed, and none abstained. MOTION CARRIED

Respectfully Submitted,

Linda S. LaLuna

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