

**RECREATION BOARD**

**AUGUST 15, 2023**

RECEIVED  
TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE  
TOWN OF FARMINGTON

2024 FEB 23 PM 2: 20

**MEMBERS:**

Julie LaRue, Chairman  
David Allen  
Bryan Meck  
Tim Thompson  
Regina Sousa

*Also present:* Mark Cain, Recreation Director

The meeting began at 6:30 PM.

**GUEST:**

The Recreation members welcomed Mr. Ron Brand, Director of Development to their meeting.

**MINUTES:**

Mr. Cain made a motion to approve the July 11, 2023 minutes second by Ms. LaRue. All members voted "aye" to approve.

**LOCAL LAW FILING:**

Mr. Brand reviewed and provided a copy of the amending Local Law Filing, Chapter 9 of the Town Code of the Town of Farmington, Ontario County, New York, entitled "Boards, Committees and Commissions," by adding Article IV, "Recreation Advisory Board".

The purpose of the Recreation Advisory Board is to:

- A. Provide a resource to the Tow Boards and Departments for strengthening and supporting public parks, facilities and recreation program needs in the Town of Farmington.
- B. Increase the visibility of, promote and enhance the image of recreational opportunities to the public.
- C. Establish and maintain effective communications with the town Boards and Departments and town residents.
- D. To identify specific goals, objectives and implementation actions to be contained in the latest edition of the adopted Town of Farmington Comprehensive Plan.
- E. To provide on going technical assistance to the town's boards established for managing the built environment.
- F. To assist the Town Board in the maintenance of high standards in park and recreational leadership and in the quality of the recreation program service.

Chapter 9 also establishes the following sections for the Recreation Advisory Board.

Intent, functions, membership term vacancies, terms of members now in office, officers and board meeting dates, responsibilities of Chairperson, duties and responsibilities of members, duties and responsibilities of the Town Recreation Director, relationship to other town departments, boards, and committees, review process, quorum and reports

Mr. Brand said that Farmington master plan and will be updating the park and recreation section. Mr. Brand said that they will be putting together a committee and will be looking for volunteers. They will be sending out a survey and is asking for any ideas that need to be put out to the public.

#### **SUMMER RECREATION PROGRAM:**

Mr. Cain said that they averaged about 175 children a day. The field trips went well and were well attended.

Mr. Cain said that the program was going along very well until the last week. Mr. Cain said that there was a problem at two of the parks. Mr. Cain said that a 6 yr old boy had a major break down and was hitting, punching, biting and swearing. Mr. Cain said that this problem continued with the arrival of the child's father.

Mr. Cain said that he sent out a questionnaire to parents asking what they liked and disliked about the summer program. Mr. Cain said that he received very positive feedback and many thanks.

Mr. Cain said that most of the summer employees have said that they would like to come back to work next year.

#### **BUDGET:**

Mr. Cain reviewed the budget for 2024. The members discussed the possibility of raising the registration cost for next year.

#### **HOLIDAY DATES:**

The Trunk or Treat celebration will be held on October 21, 2023, 12:00-2:00 PM.

The Christmas celebration will be held on December 8, 2023 at 6:00 PM, 5:30 for members.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30.

The next meeting will be held on September 12, 2023 at 6:30 PM.

Mary Richter, Clerk of the Board recorded the minutes.