



**Haverhill Parks & Recreation Commission  
Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, July 5, 2023, at 6:00 PM  
Clifford Memorial Building  
65 Court Street  
Woodsville, NH 03785**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Jennifer West, called the meeting to order at 6:01 PM.

**Members in Attendance:** Jennifer West, Dawn Burleson, Sherri Sargent, Joe Longacre, Sara Jean Harris. **Quorum was NOT met.**

**Public Members:** Mona Sanville

**Past Events and Activities**

**Director's Report:**

1. The monthly **Acoustic Music Jam** at the Clifford Memorial Building was held on July 2 from 12-3:00 PM. Monthly jams are listed on the website calendar, on WYKR, social media and newspapers. Fliers are also available to hand out.
2. **DJ Kev Squared** was held at the CMB due to the weather. Commission members served hot dogs, popcorn, candy & cold drinks. Not a huge turnout which is normal when events are moved.
3. Parks & Rec sponsored **Craft & Vendor Fair** was held on June 24 at the Clifford Memorial Building (CMB) from 9-3:00 with Brandi Boucher being the liaison for the event. Our next Craft Fair is SATURDAY, July 22.
4. **Adult Volleyball** has continued with Brittany Ingerson on Thursday evenings. 5-7 PM at the JRM building.
5. With encouragement from our liaison Eric Thornton, we had a **POP UP Cornhole** game on Sunday, July 2. It was a rainy holiday weekend which spiked interest in this pop-up event.

6. The senior Antique Strollers **Walking Program** has moved to the James R. Morrill Building for the summer. Hours remain 11-12:00.
7. Evening **Pickleball** continues Tuesday and Thursday evenings 6:00-8:00 PM (except it happens to be more like 5:30 to 8:30) and Saturday mornings from 9:00-11:00. The decision was made to keep the hours as is. There was discussion about having some of the games outside during the warmer days. Discussion continued about possibly having a tournament and seeing how it goes before having regularly occurring games outside. There was support for a tournament, but no decision was made.
8. Kristy continues her evening **Line Dance** lessons on Wednesday evenings at 6:00 PM.
9. Sherri continues with **Drums Alive** classes at the Horse Meadow Senior Center Monday & Wednesdays at 1:00 PM. Sherri is on the Advisory Board at the Senior Center and is encouraging more people to attend and participate in the center. She is in discussion about adding senior line dance classes to the center in the fall.

### **Upcoming Events and Activities**

1. **HARP Summer Camp.** Currently, there are 71 campers registered, and they are averaging 45 campers a day with around 50 on field trip days. They are now turning people away and have capped the numbers unless they lose some kids. Currently there are enough counselors to handle it. There are a lot of little kids (K-6) this year. There have been a couple kids written up with a warning but no kids with 3 strikes.
2. **Rail Road Park Concert** will have musician Bob King on the 22<sup>nd</sup> from 5-7pm. There will be concessions available. Bob King will bring his acoustic guitar and asks guests to come with requests for him to play.
3. **Rail Road Park Granite Memorial.** Sherri has been researching to see what the original intent of the granite blocks were when they were purchased for the park in the 90s. She hasn't found anything yet. Sherri said that they are now ready to purchase supplies to build a patio that will incorporate the blocks. Volunteers aren't needed yet but Sherri wanted to put it in everyone's mind. There will be room for expansion if people were to purchase more granite blocks in the future. There was also discussion of signage and other ways that would make the park a safe place when construction is taking place.
4. Parks and Recreation is registered for the **Challenger Youth Soccer Program** again this year. It will be for one week in August on the 14<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup>. The VFW gave permission to use the field behind the JRM building. Sherri also reached out to Dave Robinson regarding the Wolverine Soccer Program just to get prepared for the season.

