**GILFORD PARKS and RECREATION COMMISSION MINUTES**

 **December 5, 2022**

Present: Herb Greene, Rick Nelson, Peter Allen, Thom Francoeur, Lisa Manz- Buckley, Dave Smith, Jim Glover, and Miriam York

Excused:, Tracey Blandford

The meeting was called to order at 5:35

 **1.** Peter and Lisa were appointed as voting members until Rick and Jim

 arrived.

1. **Minutes of October 3, 2022 and November 7, 2022** meetingwere approved as written.
2. **Director’s report:**

Herb reviewed the Director’s report. Holiday Decorating Contest will end this week. Santa Land was held this past weekend and was very well attended Youth basketball practices have started and first games will be held on Saturday, Dec. 10th. The all-star BB policy was reviewed and discussed and will be finalized at the next meeting. The Francoeur/Babcock tournament will be held March 9-12, 2023. The ski and snowboard program has 54 children participating in lesson and another59 having registered for a season pass.

1. **Budget:**

The budget committee approved the budget as recommended by the Board of Selectmen. The public hearing will be held on January 12th and the deliberative session on February 7 – both at 7:00 at the High School auditorium.

1. **Village Field:**

The dugouts are almost completed. The metal roofs on the dugouts and storage shed will be completed in the next few weeks. The field repairs were approved by the Selectmen, and the work on the field is almost complete.

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1. **Gilford Ice Rink:**

The lights have been checked and the surface dragged. The pump was tested and is working fine. Just waiting for cold weather in order to start flooding the rink. There is a full staff on board.

1. **Facility use requests:**

 There were none.

1. **Other business:**

There was discussion about the budget request for the new building at the town beach . The Commission asked Herb to provide talking points on why a new building is needed.

 **9. The next meeting will be on January 9, 2023 at 5:30.**

 Meeting adjourned at 6:30pm

Respectfully submitted,

Miriam A. York

Secretary

Enclosures – Director’s report