

Monkton Recreation Committee
Monday, December 1, 2025
7:00 to 8:00 PM
Meeting conducted at New Town Hall

Members Present: Sarah Bouchard, Adam Crary, Paul Low, Devin Mason, John Zaikowski

Others Present: Mike Casey

1. Call to Order: Zaikowski called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM.

2. Review and approval of November 3 meeting minutes: **Bouchard made a motion to approve the November 3 minutes. Mason seconded. No changes or modifications. All were in favor. (5-0-0).**

3. Basketball Season: Zaikowski advised that the season is underway, with practices starting this week. Monkton has 5-6 Girls, 5-6 Boys, and 3-4 Co-ed teams. K-2 will hold Saturday morning clinics. Zaikowski purchased additional jerseys, basketballs, and ancillary equipment to address equipment needs.

4. ARPA project updates: Low advised the exercise station installation should begin in the next several weeks, depending on weather and ground conditions. The walking path project will need to wait until spring given site conditions and need to complete exercise stations first. Zaikowski contacted Livingstons to advise of spring timeline.

5. Other: Mike Casey asked about Morse Park mowing along the walking path and whether there has been any future planning in the event community volunteers are unable to continue. Committee members generally acknowledged the valuable contributions community members have made. Committee members discussed the current mowing contract and the possibility of determining what additional mowing might cost within the next bidding cycle for purposes of awareness and potential future planning, but will rely on community volunteers until advised otherwise. Casey also provided general feedback on the pickleball courts size and configuration. The Rec Committee will discuss those aspects with the hardcourt subcommittee at a future meeting. Zaikowski advised other members he had received a report earlier that day that there was damage at the

Rec Field baseball field from vehicles driving on the field. Low will stop by the field on his way home to see if the extent of the damage can be ascertained.

6. Adjourn: Meeting adjourned at 8:10 PM

Respectfully submitted,

John Zaikowski