

Monkton Recreation Committee
Monday, June 1, 2026
7:00 to 8:00 PM
Meeting conducted at New Town Hall

Members Present: Sarah Bouchard, Adam Crary, Tim Hunt, Rick Imes, Devin Mason, John Zaikowski

Others Present: Sue Stasny, Paul Low

1. Call to Order: Zaikowski called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM. Sue Stasny, on behalf of the Conservation Commission, extended an invitation to members of the Rec Committee to attend parsnip pulling events at Morse Park. The group meets in the evenings at 7 PM on June 12, 18, 25, and July 2.
2. Review and approval of April 6 meeting minutes: **Hunt made a motion to approve the April 6 minutes. Souchard seconded. No changes or modifications. All were in favor. (6-0-0).**
3. Rec Field maintenance: The Rec Field had been significantly damaged by vehicle vandalism in November 2025. Rec Committee members and community volunteers began the process of repairing the infield and outfield in the spring, needing to allow the field to re-grow grass before playing on it this season. Boulders to prevent vehicular access have been installed. The field has progressed to the point where games can now be played on it, but more work will need to be done to complete restoration. This work is planned for the remainder of the season and next spring. Other infrastructure also discussed, including mice getting into the Pavilion electrical panel, and mud wasps nesting in electrical outlets. Low will clean out the panel and install covers on the outlets. Members also discussed developing a maintenance checklist to be used during spring work party events and throughout the year to assist in upkeep of the facilities. Zaikowski will develop a draft and share when ready. Mason discussed the plausibility of moving the Rec Field scoreboard to Morse Park and purchasing a new scoreboard for the Rec Field. The Committee will explore the cost and feasibility of these options at a future meeting.
4. ARPA project updates: The exercise station installation is planned to begin in the next several weeks, provided ground conditions continue to dry. Walking path work is expected to begin once ground conditions allow, likely mid-summer.

5. Adjourn: Meeting adjourned at 8:05 PM

Respectfully submitted,

John Zaikowski