# Monkton Recreation Committee
# Monday, October 5, 2026
# 7:00 to 8:00 PM
# Meeting conducted at New Town Hall

Members Present: Sarah Bouchard, Rick Imes, Devin Mason, John Zaikowski
Others Present: Kim Barbour, Rick Kinaman, Paul Low

1. Call to Order: Zaikowski called the meeting to order at 7:01 PM.

2. Review and approval of August 31 meeting minutes: **Mason made a motion to approve the August 31 minutes. Bouchard seconded. No changes or modifications. All were in favor. (4-0-0).**

3. 2027 Budget: Members reviewed the budget summary provided by Barbour. The Committee requested $10,500 for the prior two budget cycles. Members discussed mowing costs as the primary component of its budget request, and the need to remain aware of any increases. Facilities maintenance expenses also discussed, including expenses related to the dog park, the need to repair and replace several picnic benches and tables at the Rec Field and Morse Park, and increased electricity costs over the past three years. Members discussed the appropriate allocation of these expenses within the budget summary with Barbour. Members identified the need for a small increase of $500 to its 2027 budget request based on these known and anticipated expenses. **Zaikowski made a motion to request $11,000 in its 2027 budget proposal. Bouchard seconded. All were in favor. (4-0-0).**

4. ARPA project updates: Low advised the exercise stations have been installed. Walking path work is planned for mid-October. Remaining work associated with the disc golf project will be completed by the end of the year.

5. Adjourn: Meeting adjourned at 8:10 PM

Respectfully submitted,

John Zaikowski