Sullivan Parks & Recreation Committee

Meeting Minutes

Date: August 6, 2026
Time: 6:00 PM-7:30PM

Members Present:

Yvette Grindle, Misty Gleason, Bill Procko, Missy Kelleher, Bonnie Sparks, Logan Pung, Alex Souza

Absent:
Kim Brooks, Veronika Bamford-Connors, Alex Cammen, John Keenan

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Sullivan Daze Recap

Volunteer Update

- Approximately **400 volunteer hours** contributed.
- Parks & Recreation raised **$10,802** during Sullivan Daze.
- Raffle Tent raised $**5,600.**
- The committee's 50/50 fundraiser raised roughly **double last year's amount.**
- Bounce house attendance totaled **116 children.**
- Consider changing or expanding children's crafts next year.
- Committee discussed bringing back a **car show and parade** next year.

Wrap-Up Meeting

- **September 15** – Sullivan Daze wrap-up meeting scheduled.

Camp Program

- Last year's program served approximately **57** participants.
- This year:
    - First week: **16 campers** (Two Absent)
    - Second week: **16 campers**
- Seven Sullivan-sponsored campers participated.
- Friends of Taunton Bay assisted with the camp program.

Granite Wall / Playground Improvements

Committee discussed remaining work on the granite wall:

- Repair pitch and top corner.
- Bottom granite slab may need replacement.
- Complete edging around the area.
- Add additional crushed stone and apply SoilFix (or similar stabilizer).

Granite Garden at Sumner Park

Projects discussed:

- Replace garden soil.
- Return dirt to garden beds.
- Install rain barrel.
- Obtain manure/fertilizer.
- Bonnie will contact Viking or Hammond for Fertilizer
- Remove brush and trees from the culvert area.

Volunteer Work Day

August 14
9:00–11:00 AM
Granite garden cleanup and maintenance.

Adult Education

- **71 people** participated in RSU 24 Adult Education programming in the last year.

Sullivan Resident Voucher Program

Committee discussed developing a resident voucher program focused on:

- Health
- Wellness

- Safety

Approximate value discussed: **$50**.

Fall Festival Planning

General Discussion

- Continue planning for Fall Festival.
- Approximately **10 vendors** anticipated.
- School/Gateway Event Center signage discussed.
- Bake sale planned.

Pet Vaccine Clinic

- Parks & Recreation will co-sponsor a pet clinic to be held during Fall Fast 10am-12pm.
- Vaccine cost:
    - **$10 for dogs**
    - **$20 for cats**

Volunteers

- Misty will send mass text to Sullivan Daze volunteers requesting assistance with Fall Festival.
- Alex will discuss at thoughts and ideas at Rec Center Meeting Tuesday 8/11 and bring that info to Fall Fest Meeting 8/12.

Skate Jam

- **MEETING: Wednesday, August 12 5:30PM**
- Skate Jam to be held during Fall Festival. 11AM

Additional ideas:

- Provide blank skateboard decks for artists.
- Logan will communicate with artists.

Other Business:

- Revisit walking pathway land abutters Spring 2027.
- Plan Gordan's Wharf clean-up day.

Acknowledgement Of Volunteer Work Completed In Last Month:

- Picnic tables at the park: Completed by Jerry Erbes, Alex Cammen, George Schaefer.
- Grass cutting and weed whacking at Recreation Park: Jerry Erbes and Bill Procko.
- Brush cutting at Gordon's Wharf: Alex Cammen
- Gazebo Garden Care: Alex Souza
- Ice Cream Distribution at Gazebo Reading: Misty Gleason
- And of course, huge volunteer effort at Sullivan Daze!