

Town of Stanford
Recreation Commission

September 8, 2025

Present: Lauren Osterman, Mike Denatale, Lorelei Christiansen, Charlotte Haims, Ginny Gertling, Nathan Lavertue

Absent: Jess Odell, Nicole Clanahan, Veronica Bisson

Ginny motioned to approve the minutes from August 13. Charlotte seconded. All in favor, Lorelei, Charlotte, Ginny, Mike. Motion carried.

Community Day

Lauren is working on a graphic for the passport for all the booths. Lauren will need someone to hand out the stickers to each booth, Lorelei will hand out stickers. Charlotte and Ginny will also be in attendance for the booth.

Townwide Scavenger Hunt – pivoted to bingo card challenge

Lauren and Sara presented the idea to make the scavenger hunt into a bingo card. Locations and spots in town would be on the board within a 4x4 grid and each 4 in a row completed would be an entry into a raffle and a completed board would get a prize like a tote. Nathan suggested contacting the Stanford Business Association to gauge interest. We need to ask which businesses want a stamp, or to donate, or if they have events they want featured.

Mini Market

November 15, 3-4:30 PM. The idea is to have kids be vendors and have a booth within the Town Hall to sell whatever goods they want. The event would be open to the public and the vendors can be young kids all the way up to teenagers. Each room in town hall can have booths. We will provide tables, the vendors will need bring their own change, booth decorations.

Upcoming Program updates

We have 2 people to run soccer, about 30 players are registered, ages 4-6. Trivia will be at BangallWorks on Sept 26 with Hudson Valley Trivia Company. Lauren was awarded an additional \$3,000 for Recipes 4 Kids so she will be going to workshops on how to manage the funds. Storage for supplies is a hurdle. The grant has a line for reimbursement towards a program assistant, so that would be very helpful to fill that position.

Lauren mentioned that the fee for the waterfront could be raised to help offset the extreme raise in salaries to run the waterfront. Lauren said the per person rate for a day pass has

helped, and could raise that rate as well. Ginny suggested raising the day pass rate for the weekend. Mike mentioned that the ratio of daily pass versus season pass needs to be addressed. Ginny clarified that the Town Board is not looking to make the Rec profitable, and Lauren confirmed that yes, it is not the goal to breakeven, but something needs to show that money can come in. Lorelei mentioned that the shade sails will be in place to help improve the look as well. Charlotte and Ginny will look into surrounding town's rates.

Next meeting will be on Oct 8 at 6:30 PM at Town Hall

Meeting adjourned at 8:01 PM