

Town of Stanford
Recreation Commission

Meeting Minutes
January 14, 2026

Present: Lauren Osterman, Veronica Heady, Roxanne Gomme, Ginny Gertling, Lorelei Christensen, Charlotte Haims
Absent: Mike Denatale, Jess Odell

Lorelei motioned to approve the October 8 & November 12 meeting minutes as written. Charlotte seconded. All in favor, Ginny, Veronica, Lorelei, Charlotte. Roxanne abstained from just joining. Motion carried.

Trivia

Previous programs had been held at BangallWorks and the facility fee was \$100, but now the space is \$300, and then trivia with Hudson Valley Trivia is \$300 so we do not want to charge people more, so we are looking to move the event to 3 Bros Pizza, so we don't charge people to participate and then 3 Bros. Pizza can do a happy hour and people can buy food.

Social Club

Lauren and Sara met with Anne Bernstein at the new Social Club that is attached to Coyote Flaco and the same is quaint and would be good for small events. The space is available for us and Anne just encourages people to buy food and drinks to make their revenue on the events. We would like to do maybe senior programming or game nights.

Summer Planning

Lauren has started planning camp and Sarah Beam will be back as Camp Director. Lauren needs two Assistant Directors for the waterfront this summer. Lauren hopes to have the applications out this month. Male counselors are needed to provide a mix for the boy campers. The camp will run for 4 weeks through the month of July.

Programming Assistant

Lauren put a new position into the budget, and it was approved and is working with Dutchess County to create the position as a Recreation Leader. This person will assist with creating new programming, keeping current programming afloat.

Recipes 4 Kids / Kids Cooking

The \$8,000 grant will go towards these programs. Our first grades 3-5 program will start at the end of the month. Lauren plans on buying storage and a larger fridge to help supplement the program. The 3-5 grade program will have transportation from Seymour, they will make a meal, and it will run from 3:45 – 5:15 PM.

Capital Campaign Update

The Campaign is focusing on landscaping. The grant they are applying for is the same one they applied for last year, but their chances of receiving the grant are slim due to the scoring in the “disadvantaged community” category in terms of pollution or urban area park that lack landscaping, trees, etc. Tree plantings will be a priority, walking path will also be included. Lauren suggested a field day for a fundraiser for the Capital Campaign Committee. Lauren said the shade structures should be installed first before the plans for plantings are done.

Glow Party

The Glow Party met the registration cap of 50 kids really fast, so we had to close the registration. It will be on January 30, 5:30-6:45 pm, we will have pizza, crafts, music, and activities.

Easter Egg Hunt

It will Saturday, April 4 at Sparc Park.

Next meeting will be February 11, 6:30 PM at Town Hall

Meeting adjourned at 7:48 PM