



**TOWN OF HUDSON  
PARK COMMISSION**  
Division of Recreation  
Town Hall  
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**PARK COMMISSION MEETING – MINUTES  
November 10, 2021  
Via REMOTE ZOOM at 7:00pm**

*Pursuant to Governor Baker's March 12, 2020 Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A, §18, and the Governor's March 15, 2020 Order imposing strict limitation on the number of people that may gather in one place, this meeting of the Hudson Park Commission meeting will be conducted via remote participation to the greatest extent possible. Specific information and the general guidelines for remote participation by members of the public and/or parties with a right and/or requirement to attend this meeting can be found below. No in-person attendance of members of the public will be permitted, but every effort will be made to ensure that the public can adequately access the proceedings in real time, via technological means. In the event that we are unable to do so, despite best efforts, we will post on the Town of Hudson website an audio or video recording, transcript, or other comprehensive record of proceedings as soon as possible after the meeting.*

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*Topic: Park Commission Meeting  
Time: Nov 10, 2021 07:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)*

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### **1. Call Meeting to Order**

Mr. Bowen called the meeting to order at 7:01pm. Members present were Mr. Bowen and Mr. Chaves. Also present: Mr. Santos, Mr. Hannon and Mr. Aponte.

Mr. Bowen dispensed with the reading of the statement regarding Zoom virtual meetings and Governor Baker's statement on the Covid-19 virus & Open Meeting Law, as all those present were familiar with the statement, the meeting procedures and no one other than those listed above were present.

### **2. Minutes to Approve:**

A. Public Session – October 28, 2021

Mr. Bowen motioned to approve the minutes as written, seconded by Mr. Chaves and carried...

Vote: 2 – 0, in favor

### **3. Citizens Issues / Special Interest Groups:**

A. None

### **4. Personnel:**

A. Park Commission to consider Seasonal Fall/Winter Employees

Mr. Santos confirmed that the commissioners had received and reviewed the list of seasonal part-time employees. Stating also that the minimum wage would be increasing from \$13.50 to \$14.25 in January 2022 and all rates as presented were reflective of this upcoming increase.

Mr. Bowen motioned to approve the list of seasonal part-time employees as listed to be submitted to the Select Board for final confirmation, seconded by Mr. Chaves and carried...

Vote: 2 – 0, in favor

### **5. Director's Report:**

A. Mr. Santos informed the Commission that the Recreation Basketball program would be starting immediately following Thanksgiving and it appeared that all divisions has sufficient registrations other than the Girl Grades 6-8 program.

### **6. New Business:**

A. None

### **7. Old Business:**

A. FY23 Budget Discussion

Mr. Santos stated that after meeting with the Executive Assistant it was requested that the following budget line items in the proposed FY23 Budget be reduced:

-Sick Leave Buy Back (reduction of \$1355) and Longevity (reduction of \$775), due to the future resignation of the Recreation Assistant.

-Seasonal Salaries (reduction of \$13,668), to mirror the same level of support received in FY22 while considering the upcoming minimum wage increases.

Mr. Santos stated that while the reduction to the Seasonal Salaries line item was disappointing, it could be offset by increases in user or program fees.

Mr. Bowen stated that while he was pleased with the budget originally submitted, he would support the changes requested by the Executive Assistant to the FY23 budget.

Mr. Chaves stated that he agreed with Mr. Bowen.

Mr. Santos stated he would make the changes and resubmit the budget to the EA's Office.

### **8. Communications and/or Correspondence to be noted by Commissioners:**

A. Letter of Resignation – Joshua Aponte

Mr. Santos confirmed the commissioners had received and reviewed the letter of resignation from Mr. Joshua Aponte. He went on to say that Josh was a tremendous asset to the department, had

completed almost 8 years of service with the Town and he would be greatly missed. In closing, Mr. Santos stated that he is proud of what Josh had accomplished and is excited for this next step for him, as he advances his career in municipal government.

Mr. Bowen and Mr. Chaves both thanked Josh for his service and wished him well in his future endeavors.

#### **9. Announcements/Adjournment**

A. Next meeting on December 8, 2021.

Mr. Bowen motioned to adjourn at 7:25pm, seconded by Mr. Chaves and carried...

Vote: 2 - 0, in favor

Motion to Approve: Mr. Bowen

Second: Mr. Roan

Vote: 2 – 0, in favor

Date: January 12, 2022