

Parks and Recreation February Monthly Report

After 4 years of fundraising and running into supply issues our Competition Cheer program finally has its own cheer mats. Our Cheer Team started competing in their comps for the 2023 season. The youth group got to have the unique experience of competing in the same competition with the Junior High and High school programs. The youth athletes even got to ride on the bus with them! Thank you, Winslow High School, for giving our athletes a little taste of what the future will be like.



Youth Cheerleaders riding on the High School Bus to Competition



¾ Boys Travel undefeated at the Alford Round Robin

February wrapped up the recreation basketball season and our travel season began. We have three teams continuing to participate in tournaments and 4 skills building programs starting that will last through the month of March. For the first time we are offering a high school level and middle school level basketball development opportunity for the month of March.

I continue the search for the Summer Fun Camp Director and Assistant Director positions. This program is very popular in the summer and has a high participation rate. We are reconfiguring how the program is run and are looking forward to rolling out the changes for this coming summer. My plan is to sit in for the director if we are unable to find someone else to fill it. This is obviously not ideal so I'm still hoping to receive some applicants.

The Fort Halifax Days committee has been meeting and plans are coming along nicely for this year's event which will take place on 6/17/23 11-4. We are planning a longer day of events, additional kids' activities, and hoping to add in some food trucks. I will be spending March trying to increase donations toward the event. Every year we try to increase what we offer but try to keep it a free event for families to enjoy.

A big accomplishment for February is the start of our health and wellness program. I have scheduled monthly classes for the year focused on health and wellness for employees to take part in. Our first class will be March 29th through a zoom entitled Get out of Hibernation and back into exercise. We will also be receiving a grant from MMA to entice participants with prizes and lunches. I will also be starting my shape audits on all departments in preparation for our reevaluation.

Respectfully Submitted,

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