



Introduction

The Shelburne Parks and Recreation Commission was established as a Committee of Town Council in November 1975.

The Parks and Recreation Commission operated under the guidelines established in the Parks and Recreation Commission By-Laws, which was approved on May 2nd, 1980.

The Commission has nine members. Three members of Town Council and 6 residents of the Town are appointed to the Commission by Council for a one-year term.

Staff

The Parks and Recreation Department has two and one-half staff positions. The Parks and Recreation Director is the Department Head. There is also a Parks Supervisor and a ½ time Office Clerk.

Other staff are often hired for special programs or maintenance staff, or for various projects such as facility renovations or research projects.

Services

Municipal Recreation is just one part of the total Community Recreation Program. Local volunteer groups and individuals are the major source of recreation programs and activities in the Community. The Parks and Recreation Department can provide assistance to the Community in developing its recreation program.

The services available are wide and varied, and depends on the needs of each group or individual. The needs often range from a simple consultation to the provision of both human and physical resources.

Some of the services that can be provided include: resource material, equipment loans, program planning, referrals, publicity preparation and planning, special events planning, facility development consulting, assistance with locating funding sources, use of office equipment, copying, computer time etc.

Facilities and Parks

The Parks and Recreation Commission is responsible for a number of recreation facilities and park areas in the Town.

The Roger Grovestine Recreation Complex is a 13 acre outdoor recreation facility. It contains a baseball field, three tennis courts and a small playground.

The George Street Playground is a year-round outdoor facility that serves a wide variety of age levels and interests.

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Purpose

The purpose of the Commission as established in the Parks and Recreation By-Law is:

- to promote the operating, maintenance and management of recreation facilities and properties owned by the Town;
- to promote Recreation among residents of the Town;
- to consult, advise and recommend to Council on recreation matters in the Town.

Parks and Recreation Department

The Municipal Recreation Program offered by the Town of Shelburne is administered by the Parks and Recreation Department.

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There is a basketball/ball hockey court area, a playground and an open field area for field play and winter sledding.

There are several small park areas located throughout the Town. Most of these are located on or near Shelburne's Historic Dock Street and are used by both tourists and residents.

Use of the local Community Centre is scheduled through the Town Office (875-2991). The facility has an auditorium and other smaller meeting rooms.

A section of the former Rail Line through the Town has been converted into a Trail. The Trail intersects a number of Town streets to form "loops" that allow for various distances for walking or biking. The Trail also continues to the Islands Provincial Park.



Direct Programs

The Parks and Recreation Commission offers some direct programs to the Community. This is a relatively minor role that the Commission plays in the Community. Local Community groups and volunteers are seen as the major provider of this type of activity.

The Commission often tries to fill gaps in program areas when it is possible. Activities may be initiated with the goal that they will be adopted by a volunteer agency.

The Commission is most active in a direct program role during the summer months. Students

usually are hired to provide a variety of activities and special events, in addition to the other community activities sponsored by volunteers or other agencies.

The Commission is involved in a number of Regional, Provincial, and National Programs.



Commission Meetings

The Parks and Recreation Commission meets monthly. If you would like to meet with the commission, contact the Parks and Recreation Office for an appointment.

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