

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN
TOWN OF MADISON
February 20, 2024
PUBLIC HEARING
MINUTES**

Present – Selectmen Michael A. Mauro, John Arruda and Adam Price; Town Administrator Linda Shackford; members of the public

Mauro opened the public hearing at **4:30 PM**.

Mauro announced the following:

This Public Hearing is being held in accordance with RSA 41:9-a to discuss and receive input on additions and increases to fees that include Recreation Program fees and Land Use Board Application fees.

* Abutter application fee increase from \$10.00 to \$12.50

* Institute Rec Program Fee: Per sport, per student fee of \$35 for residents, \$45 for non-residents

Posted 01/30/2024 at the upper and lower levels of Town Hall, and the Madison and Silver Lake Post Offices. Published in the 02/01/2024 edition of the Conway Daily Sun.

Mauro opened the floor to public discussion.

Price stated that the sports participation fee should help the town to recoup some of the expenses of operating the Rec Program. The fee would also deter people using the sports program as a day care facility added Price.

Joy Gray stated that the sports fee would help the Rec Program be more self-sustaining.

Shackford explained the increase in the Land Use abutter fee to \$12.50 is due to a rise in postage rates over the years. It costs \$8.69 to send the certified return receipt notice which leaves only \$1.31 to cover expenses for paper, envelopes and the Administrators time.

Mauro asked for any further discussion or comment. There was none.

Motion by Price, seconded by Arruda to approve the Rec Program Fee of \$35 for residents and \$45 for non-residents; and to increase the abutter fee for Land Use applications to \$12.50. The motion passed **3-0**.

Mauro closed the Public Hearing at **4:34 PM**.

Respectfully Submitted,

Linda Shackford,
Town Administrator