

Shutesbury Recreation Committee Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, March 24, 2026
Remote meeting on Zoom
Meeting began: 4:01

Committee Members Present: Barbara Bigelow & Sam Spisiak, cochairs, Ann Brigham, Elaine Puleo, Diane Adams, Jessica Carlson-Belanger, Ann Gagliardi arrived late
Committee members not present: Christine Marglin,

Agenda

1. Review and approve Minutes of February 24 - approved
2. Christine Robinson in Memory ideas (Sam Spisiak)
 - Fiber Art Library
 - Focus on Mei
 - Memorial tree and 3 bushes planted and one bluebird house at the library
 - Help Mei celebrate graduation
 - May 17th 3PM at Town Common
3. Seed swap and Gardening April 4 @ 12 PM @ library (Annie Gagliardi)
Unanimous approval. Flyer is already prepped
4. Spring bike repair & tune-up May 17 9-11 @ SES (Sam Spisiak)
 - Clif, Andy, Fletcher will be on hand to help.
 - Flyer is already prepped
5. Hike Meet-ups (Jessica Carlson-Belanger)
 - Great spreadsheet of the hikes. (see below) Last Sunday of the month at 1PM
 - During one of the winter hikes there will be a “Viking” event – unanimous vote in favor. Diane would like us to keep in mind to repeat some of the hikes in different seasons
6. Stitching (Barbara Bigelow) – suggesting to go through the month of June and then take a hiatus for the months of July and August.
7. Birding - Clif is available May 30th or June 6th
Diane will spearhead this with Barbara working on the background and Mary Anne will also help before the event – we chose May 30th
Mary Anne will keep a list of participants
8. Movies on the Common.
It needs equipment, licensing etc. Polic Chief Pellitier is very interested in exploring this. – maybe the Library can collaborate on that. We could only show DVD’s without a license. There wasn’t great enthusiasm for this. We could support him with expenses up to \$100 but we’ll let him handle it on his own.
6 in favor and one opposed.
9. Trivia night - next one in November. We’d like to do 2 over the winter – November and February
10. Soccer - May 16 - June 13 and basketball just till March 29th – Sam, - it’s going well

Motion to adjourn Elaine second Ann Brigham

Motion passes unanimously

Meeting adjourned 5:01 PM

Next Meeting: Tuesday, April 21, 2026, 4 pm

Minutes respectfully submitted by Elaine

Hike Meetups

Date	Time	Place	# Hikers	Notes
Sunday 11/2/25	11:00am	Houston Gage	10	Hilly
Sunday 12/14/25	1:00pm	Brushy Mountain	10	Snowing earlier. Rough driving.
Thursday 1/1/26	11:00am	Bright Water Bog	14	Very cold! (10 degrees?)
Sunday 2/8/26	1:00pm	New Boston Road	4	Very, very cold! (4 degrees)
Saturday 3/7/26	1:00pm	Lake Wyola State Park	7	Deep snow!
Sunday 4/12/26	11:00am	South Brook Conservation		
Sunday 5/31/26	1:00pm	Freeman Road		
Sunday 6/28/26	1:00pm	Pine Brook Camp Trails		Can a rec comm member help with this
Sunday 7/26/26	1:00pm	Poverty Mountain/Pratt Corner Road		