

**Recreational Space Committee  
Agenda 12/17/2025  
6:00 PM  
Multi-Purpose Room & ZOOM**

**Things are moving now!**



**Topic: Rec Space Dec Meeting**

**Time: Dec 17, 2025 05:45 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)**

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## Agenda

- Survey has started - Mary & Mike contacted Loon Surveying, and the Town has agreed to fund the surveying of all town property!
- AVCOG is working on a preliminary drawing of our “Site Plan”.
- Nancy wrote a grant (Historical Society) for the surveying costs, and it was approved. Since we do not need this money, we can use it in the future.
- I was asked to produce a budget for the town budget committee. This does not indicate we are requesting funds from the townspeople; instead, we will raise funds for the town, as all funds must be “funneled through” and approved by the town and the voters. Below is the budget I presented:

## Recreational Space Committee Budget Request 2026

**Explanation:** The select board tasked the committee to do the following:

1. Propose a site on town property for the development of a multi-use recreation court ("Court");
2. Recommend to the Selectboard what type of recreation activities) are to be conducted on the Court;
3. Propose a cost estimate to the Selectboard for the building of such a Court and a five-year maintenance cost plan for the same (such a plan should include contractor proposals); and
4. Provide the Selectboard with any other information that may assist the Selectboard in bringing forth a proposal to the Town Legislature regarding whether to approve constructing such a facility on Town property.

We have completed the initial tasks, which should inspire confidence in our ability to move forward and help the town secure necessary funding.

The first point is that it does not make sense to spend any money on the existing tennis courts next year.

We propose a three-phase approach to make this project feel achievable and to keep the town informed about upcoming steps:

Phase I	Grant Application	2026
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During this phase, we will focus on completing the federal 'Land and Water Conservation Fund' grant application, which is due June 26, 2026, and involves collaboration with the state, fostering a sense of shared purpose and hope.

We will also be working to secure funding from additional grant sources and private donations.

In terms of actual funding during this period of time, we will need the following:

Printing of Maps & Plans	\$200
Permit By Rule (Near Houghton Brook)	\$350
Additional Cost for Town Report for color image	\$200
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$750</b>

**Phase II      Grant Approved Work Begins      Late 2026/2027**

## Total scope of Phase II

## Removal of

- old, dangerous playground equipment
- old, shed
- Fence around existing tennis courts
- Large Maple Tree

Cost	\$20,000
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Rip Out two existing tennis courts and replace them with one tennis court, two pickleball courts, and half a basketball court. The new court will be asphalt with a sports coating. Nets are included, and painting and fencing are included.

Cost	\$200,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$220,000</b>

### **Phase III     Grant Approved & We Secure more Funding & Energy 2027/2028**

Bridge from Town Hall to Recreational Space Area	\$190,000
Natural Playscape Play Area	\$100,000

- Next Steps - Special Town Meeting Wed Jan 7 @ 6:00   Snow Date Sat Jan 10 @ 10
  - We will be paired with the Commercial Site Plan Review Ordinance Committee.
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