



**City of Laconia**  
**Special Events Technical Review Committee**  
Wednesday, February 4, 2026 - 12:00 PM  
City Hall in the Armand A. Bolduc City Council Chamber

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. ROLL CALL
3. RECORDING SECRETARY
4. STAFF IN ATTENDANCE
5. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

5.1. 10/8/2025 Minutes

Documents:

[10.8 MINUTES.PDF](#)

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7.1. SE2026-008 World Championship Sled Dog Derby

A three day race event for mushers. Start/Finish line will be located on Opechee Bay State Forest. We will have a loudspeaker with announcer from 8:30am-3:30pm each day. We are going to have 1 food vendor and selling race memorabilia. We are also requesting a wavier of fees.

Documents:

[CITY OF LACONIA SPECIAL EVENT APPLICATION 2026.PDF](#)

7.2. SE2026-007 Jet Ski Race 2026

Closed course Jet Ski races with Awards Ceremony same event as last year.

Documents:

[2026 OPEECHEE TRACK MAP FOR APP.PDF](#)  
[2026 OPEECHEE LACONIA SPECIAL EVENT APP.PDF](#)

8. OTHER BUSINESS

9. ADJOURNMENT

This meeting facility is ADA accessible. Any person with a disability who wishes to attend this public meeting and needs additional accommodations, please contact the department at (603) 527-1264 at least 72 hours in advance so necessary arrangements can be made.



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10/8/2025 - Minutes

1. CALL TO ORDER

Tyler Carmichael called the Meeting to order at 12:19 PM

2. ROLL CALL

In attendance Nick Schwartz Water Department , Joe Gray Code Enforcement , Wes Anderson Department of public works , Hilary Young Licensing Department , Tyler Carmichael Assistant planning director , Lt Noyes Police , Chief Tim Joubert Fire , Amy Lovisek Parks and Rec.

3. RECORDING SECRETARY

Scott Pelchat

4. STAFF IN ATTENDANCE

Tyler Carmichael, Joe Gray, Nick Schwartz, Wes Anderson, Hilary young, Tim Joubert, Lt Noyes, Amy Lovisek, Scott Pelchat.

5. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

the prior minutes were accepted as written

5.1. Minutes

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8. SE2026-005 Laconia Pumpkin Festival

Amy spoke regarding the application for the Laconia Pumpkin Festival Amy handed out maps for the members consumption and Wes asked if it had made it to there shared folder it was shared to him. Amy stated the City has ownership of the festival and thanked staff and her team as well for the hard work in the lead up to Pumpkinfest. Amy again thanked staff as well for the time donated to the event by said staff. Amy explained this is a one day event starting with set up at 5 AM vendors will arrive at 6 in the morning vendors will arrive in sections a hard shut down will occur at 10 Am Wes has been working with me regarding logistics some items will be completed on Friday with the tower being near the bank and flagpole and some items being near Veterans Square Friday morning the beer tent will go up on main St parking lot. Try on Friday to get vendors into the main street parking lot to minimize impact on Saturday. Also pumpkin drop off will occur on Friday on Beacon street east on the street itself are trucks will be in the parking lot adjacent to it to allow for the trucks to unload New spectrum lighting will be handling some or most of lighting on decorations.

Amy continued to describe some of the decor at some of the locations and how each would operate. Referencing a giant scarecrow nearer the welcome to Laconia concrete entry. A laser show will occur off the pumpkin tower as well as a fogger that will inundate the area for effect. This will go until shortly after 8 and the police will then assist in pedestrian dispersal to then allow for the breakdown of some and the clean up that will occur on the evening with more clean up occurring after. Amy expressed the Cake will holding two performances that day so parking may be problematic. Tim Joubert inquired regarding the fogger machines as it pertains to some of the buildings air handling systems. Amy stated it was going to cover the veterans square area. A stage at the Bank of NH parking lot 3 bands and one dance performance will take place. A craft fair will occur as well Amy stated she asked Nancy and it was around 85 vendors. Amusement and bouncy houses and parades will occur as there will be a Zombie walk as well. Sunday will still be shut down but clean up will continue as well. Main street lot beer tent will still be there but shall be removed Monday. Wes stated the Lull and scissor lift will arrive earlier than once thought. Wes and LT Noyes discussed the what where when of the closure aspect of the TTO and or road closure. Tim discussed with Wes regarding filling the Barriers. LT Noyes asked do the businesses know about the impact.

Tyler opened to public comment 12:35 and it was closed at 12:35. the motion was was made and was made unanimously amongst the members. Amy recused herself from the vote.

9. OTHER BUSINESS

9.1. After Action Review Of Temporary Traffic Order

Wes brought forward to the committee the findings regarding the temporary traffic order that was given 2025-13 for the Rev, White & Brew fest antique/classic car show on 8/15/2025. stating that for future events the traffic order cannot be issued in this iteration due the traffic disruptions it generated on that night.

10. ADJOURNMENT



Application #: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Fees Paid: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Check #: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Receipt #: \_\_\_\_\_

**SPECIAL EVENT APPLICATION**

New Special Event

Special Event Renewal (No Changes)

Name of Event: 97<sup>th</sup> World Championship Sled Dog Derby  
 Type of Event: Sled dog race - 3 days Since 1929! LRSDC  
 Date(s) of Event: 2/13/26 - 2/15/26 Time of Event: 8:30 am - 4:00 pm each day  
 Tax Map/ Lot # (s): Opechee Bay State Forest Zoning District (s): \_\_\_\_\_  
 Street Address: Corner of Rt 106 + Old N Main Street Laconia, NH  
 Number of Parking Spaces: Field-50 Number of Vendors: 2 Number of Tents and Sizes: 1 12x12  
 Parks Approval: Submitted Loudspeaker Hours: 8:30am-3:30pm Non-Profit (501C-3) ID #: 02-6010787

Detailed Description of Event: A three day race event for mushers. Start/Finish line will be located on Opechee Bay State Forest. We will have a loudspeaker with announcer from 8:30am-3:30pm each day. We are going to have 1 food vendor and selling race memorabilia. We are also requesting a waiver of fees.

I hereby make application to the City of Laconia for the above-referenced property(s) and the development as described. To the best of my knowledge, the information provided herein is accurate and is in accordance with Chapter 195 of the Laconia City Ordinances. The Special Events Committee and/or City employees are authorized entrance to the property(s) for purposes of reviewing this proposal. I understand that I, or my agent, is responsible for appearing for any and all meetings before the Special Events Committee.

Sign as appropriate (If agent or non-person please attach certification)

	APPLICANT	AGENT	PROPERTY OWNER
Printed Name:	<u>Jennifer L. Hollaws</u>	<u>President-LRSDC</u>	<u>State of NH</u>
Signature:	<u>[Signature]</u>	_____	<u>Requesting</u>
Date:	<u>12/31/2025</u>	_____	<u>permit</u>

**DUE AT SUBMISSION:**

- ALL FEES
- COMPLETED APPLICATION CONTACT WORKSHEET
- COMPLETED CHECKLIST FOR EVENT
- 1 COPY OF ENTIRE SPECIAL EVENT APPLICATION AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION



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**SPECIAL EVENT  
 APPLICATION**

New Special Event  Special Event Renewal (No Changes)

Name of Event: 2026 SBT East Coast Watercross Rounds 3/4

Type of Event: Closed Course Jet Ski Race

Date(s) of Event: June 5-7 Time of Event: 8AM - 5PM

Tax Map/ Lot # (s): \_\_\_\_\_ Zoning District (s): \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: Opechee Park

Number of Parking Spaces: 40-50 Number of Venders: 1 Number of Tents and Sizes: 1 15' x 30'

Parks Approval: \_\_\_\_\_ Loudspeaker Hours: \_\_\_\_\_ Non-Profit (501C-3) ID #: \_\_\_\_\_

Detailed Description of Event: Closed course jet ski races with Awards Ceremony same event as last year

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APPLICANT	AGENT	PROPERTY OWNER
Printed Name: <u>Shawn Dudek</u>	_____	_____
Signature: <u>[Signature]</u>	_____	_____
Date: <u>1/6/26</u>	_____	_____

- DUE AT SUBMISSION:**
- ALL FEES
  - COMPLETED APPLICATION CONTACT WORKSHEET
  - COMPLETED CHECKLIST FOR EVENT
  - 10 COPIES OF ENTIRE SPECIAL EVENT APPLICATION AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION