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FROM:

Scott J. Dunn, Town Administrator

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SUBJECT:

Gilford Parks & Recreation Director

The Gilford Board of Selectmen is pleased to announce the appointment of Jenny Hancock as the Parks & Recreation Director as of May 7.

Jenny was promoted after working for the Town for the past year as a Recreation Specialist. She replaces Herb Greene who was the Town's previous Director for the past 16 years who left to embark upon a career change. She also serves as the Gilford Middle School Ski Coach.

Jenny grew up in Gilmanton Iron Works and currently resides in Tilton. She graduated with a degree in Outdoor Recreation from the University of Maine at Farmington. She is an outdoor enthusiast who loves to hike, ski and canoe.

Chan Eddy, Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, was pleased to note Jenny's outstanding qualifications amongst the 16 applications received along with her previous experience working for the Town under Herb Greene's tutelage. He also expressed his hope for a seamless transition.

Some of Ms. Hancock's immediate priorities will be to hire a new Recreation Specialist, help develop a plan for the replacement of the Town beach bathhouse, and hire as many lifeguards as possible to staff the Town Beach and offer swim lessons, while maintaining numerous recreation programs and preparing for summer events.

Upon being appointed, Jenny told the Selectmen she was honored to be selected and looks forward to leading the Town's Parks & Recreation Department with a goal of providing high quality programs and opportunities for the Gilford community.