

Town of Bennington, New Hampshire Gymnasium Usage and Elevator Policy

1. Purpose

The Town of Bennington is dedicated to maintaining a clean, safe, and orderly environment within the gymnasium located on the second floor of the Town Hall. This policy aims to establish guidelines for gymnasium usage and proper elevator usage to ensure the well-being and satisfaction of all residents and programs.

2. Guidelines for Gymnasium Use

- **Reservations:** The gymnasium may be reserved for organized programs and events sanctioned by the Town of Bennington. All reservations must be made through the appropriate channels and approved by the town administration.
- **Supervision:** Any program utilizing the gymnasium must provide adequate supervision for participants at all times. Supervisors are responsible for ensuring proper behavior, cleanliness, and adherence to the rules outlined in this policy.
- **Cleanliness:** Users are expected to leave the gymnasium in the same or better condition than they found it. This includes cleaning up any messes, properly storing equipment, and disposing of trash in designated bins.
- **Respect for Property:** All equipment and facilities within the gymnasium must be treated with care and respect. Any damage caused by negligence or misconduct will result in appropriate consequences, including financial responsibility for repairs or replacements.
- **Behavior:** Disruptive or inappropriate behavior, including but not limited to rambunctious activities, vandalism, or disregard for safety rules, will not be tolerated.

3. Consequences for Violations

- Any resident or program found to have violated the gymnasium usage guidelines will face consequences determined by the Board of Selectmen. Consequences may include, but are not limited to:
 - Denial of future reservation requests.
 - Financial responsibility for cleaning fees or damages incurred.
 - Suspension or revocation of gymnasium usage privileges.
 - Repeat offenders may face more severe penalties, including permanent exclusion from gymnasium usage.

4. Elevator Usage Guidelines

- **Supervision:** The elevator located within the Town Hall is not to be used by unsupervised children. It is intended for individuals who require its use for accessibility purposes in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).
- **Proper Usage:** Users of the elevator are expected to use it responsibly and with consideration for others who may require its use. Any misuse or unauthorized use of the elevator will result in appropriate disciplinary action.

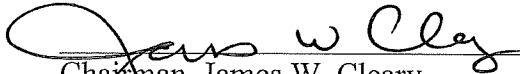
5. Enforcement

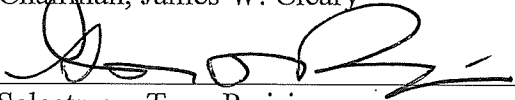
- The Board of Selectmen, along with designated town staff, have the authority to enforce this policy and address any violations promptly.
- Reports of violations should be submitted to the appropriate town authorities for investigation and resolution.

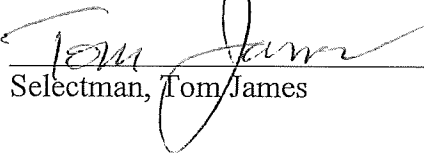
Adoption and Implementation

This policy shall take effect immediately upon approval by the Board of Selectmen and shall be communicated to all relevant parties involved in gymnasium and elevator usage.

Date: 5-13-24


Chairman, James W. Cleary


Selectman, Tony Parisi


Selectman, Tom James