

HABERSHAM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

SUBJECT: *Contracted Instructor Agreement Renewal – Christine Tekippe – Aqua Aerobics*

DATE: *September 4, 2026*

BUDGET INFORMATION:

~~ANNUAL-~~
~~CAPITAL-~~

- (X) RECOMMENDATION
() POLICY DISCUSSION
() STATUS REPORT
() OTHER

PRESENTED BY: *Terry Lannon*

COMMISSION ACTION REQUESTED ON:

PURPOSE: *This is a request to renew a Contracted Instructor Agreement With Christine Tekippe. She instruct Aqua Aerobics at the Ruby Fulbright Aquatic Center.*

BACKGROUND / HISTORY: *Christine has taught some form of water aerobics classes at the Aquatic Center for over 20 years. She is a highly trained and certified instructor with many years of experience. She has developed a long-standing and great relationship with class participants, and we'd like to continue to work with her as a contracted instructor offering these classes to our patrons.*

FACTS AND ISSUES: *(a) HCPRD will take in all registration and pay the instructor \$8/person per class. (b) Fees for classes: County resident is \$10/class. There is a \$2 discount if you sign up for all three classes in the week. Non-resident is \$12/class and \$10 for the same.*

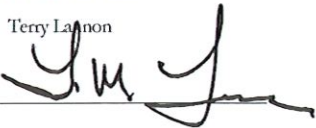
OPTIONS:

- 1) Approve recommendation
 - 2) Deny recommendation
 - 3) Commission defined alternative
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RECOMMENDED SAMPLE MOTION: *"Motion to approve the renewal of the Contracted Instructor Agreement with Christine Tekippe for Aqua Aerobics."*

DEPARTMENT:

Prepared by: *Terry Lannon*

Director: 

**ADMINISTRATIVE
COMMENTS:**

DATE: _____

County Manager



**HABERSHAM COUNTY PARKS AND RECREATION
CONTRACT INSTRUCTOR AGREEMENT – Christine Tikeppe**

THIS AGREEMENT dated this 28 day of August 2026, (Effective Date) by and between the Habersham County, a political subdivision of the State of Georgia (hereinafter referred to as “Agency”) and **Christine Tikeppe**, (hereinafter referred to as “Contractor”). The parties agree to the following:

I. SERVICES AND RESPONSIBILITIES: Contractor agrees to provide instruction for Aqua-Cise and Deep Aqua Power water aerobics classes (“Courses”).

Contractor will be solely responsible for creating course content and instruction plans.

The Agency shall be solely responsible for registration of participants for Courses. Registration Periods will be open at least 2 weeks prior to the start of each week’s session.

The Agency will provide Contractor with a list of all registered participants (“Course Roster”) via an Instructor Access login to Rec Desk, the Agency’s registration management software. Contractor will be able to view the Course Roster for all Courses for which Contractor will be responsible for instruction.

The Agency will provide Contractor with access to County facilities as needed for instruction of Courses. Contractor shall be responsible for cleaning up any and all County facilities used after each Course. Contractor agrees to assume responsibility for purchasing and providing all materials, equipment, and supplies of whatever nature required for the Courses.

II. CLASS INFORMATION: Attached as Exhibit “A” is course times, fees, and general instruction descriptions as provided by Contractor.

III. ADVERTISING: Promotional materials and communications related to the above programs, including but not limited to social media posts and emails, will originate from the Agency. The Contractor may, and is encouraged to, share and forward promotional materials and communications that are originated by the Agency.

IV. TERM: The Term of this Agreement shall be for one calendar year, starting on the Effective Date hereto.

V. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR: At all times during the term of this Agreement, Contractor shall be an Independent Contractor and shall not be considered for any purposes an employee of the Agency. The Agency shall have the right to control the Services rendered by Contractor pursuant to this Agreement. Contractors are NOT eligible to receive any Worker’s Compensation Fees, Unemployment Fees, or Health Insurance by the Agency.

All contracts and tax identification forms, including 1099 paperwork must be signed by Contractor and returned to Agency within 14 days of the Effective Date of this Agreement. The Contractor is an independent contractor and as such is responsible for reporting all income for tax purposes.

VI. CONTRACTOR NOT AGENT: Except as the Agency may specify in writing, Contractor shall have no authority, express or implied, to act on behalf of the Agency in any capacity whatsoever as an agent of the Agency. Contractor shall have no authority, express or implied, pursuant to this Agreement, to bind the Agency to any obligation whatsoever.

VII. FEES AND PAYMENT:

Each Course participant will be required to pay a participation fee of \$10 for daily drop in, or \$28 for 3 days (weekly passes) for in-county participants, \$12 for daily drop in, or \$30 for 3 days (weekly passes) for out-of-county participants. The Agency shall be solely responsible for collection of said participation fees.

In exchange for full performance of the Services listed in this Agreement, The Agency agrees to pay Contractor a flat rate fee of \$8 per participant for Aqua-Cise and Deep Aqua Power water aerobics classes. These flat rates will remain the same regardless of whether the participant pays resident or non-resident rate.

Payment shall be due and payable upon the expiration of each Registration Period. Agency shall provide Contractor with payment via regular U.S. Mail, not more than thirty (30) days from the expiration of each Registration Period.

VIII. INSURANCE: Contractors shall not be covered under the Agency's liability insurance. The Agency assumes no liability or responsibility for the Contractor's actions. It is recommended that the contractor contact his/her insurance carrier for advice concerning General Liability and/or Professional Liability coverage.

IX. ASSIGNMENT: This Agreement, nor any rights or obligations herein may be assigned by either Party hereto. Any attempt or purported assignment of any right or obligation pursuant to this Agreement shall be void and of no effect.

X. STANDARD OF PERFORMANCE: Contractor shall perform all Services in a professional manner and in such a manner that reflects positively on the County and the Parks and Recreation Department.

XI. BACKGROUND CHECK: The Agency, in its sole discretion, may require the Contractor and any of its agents or employees assigned to Contractor's Courses to be cleared and approved through the Agency's background check process. The Agency may require such clearance or approval at any time, as a condition of commencing or continuing such assignment the Contractor's Courses. The background check process shall be performed at the Agency's expense.

XII. AMENDMENTS: Any amendment to this Agreement must be in writing and signed by both parties.

XIII. TERMINATION: Either party may terminate this Agreement for any reason by providing sixty (60) days written notice to the other Party of the intent to terminate. The Agency may terminate immediately for nonperformance of Services by Contractor after Agency has provided Contractor five (5) days' notice to remedy the nonperformance. Notice of termination shall be hand delivered or delivered via email to the non-performing party in writing at the addresses contained email.

XIV. INDEMNITY: Contractor agrees to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the Agency, its officers, agents, and employees, from any and all claims or damages resulting from or arising out of this Agreement, including without limitation, claims or damages for negligence, personal injury (including death) or property damage, except those claims or damages arising out of the sole negligence of the Agency.

XV. ENTIRE AGREEMENT: The Parties agree that this Agreement represents the entire agreement between the Parties. Any other discussion or verbal agreements outside of the Agreement are void and unenforceable.

XVI. CONTRACTOR INFORMATION:

Name: Christine Tekippe
Address: 1439 Yeoman Lake Rd Phone/Cell: [REDACTED]
City: Clarkesville Zip: Ga 30523 E-mail: [REDACTED]

XVII. CONTRACTOR COORDINATORS and representatives for the Agency shall be:

☐ Name: Todd Mayfield, CYSA
Office Phone: (706) 839-0235
Email: tmayfield@habershams.com

Title: Athletic Manager
Cell Phone: (706) 297-8939

☒ Name: Robert Oaks
Office Phone: (706) 839-0233
Email: roaks@habershams.com

Title: Aquatic Manager
Cell Phone: (678) 933-4220

☐ Name: Lenay Gerrin
Office Phone: (706) 839-0238
Email: lgerrin@habershams.com

Title: Special Events and Programs Manager
Cell Phone: (706) 768-9669

Approved by the Habersham County, Georgia Board of Commissioners on the ____ day of August 2026 and executed this ____ day of _____, 2026, in witness whereof the said Party hereto has set its hand, affixed its seal and delivered these presents.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF
HABERSHAM COUNTY, GEORGIA

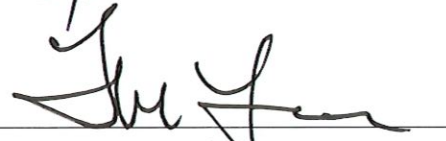
By: _____
Bruce Harkness, Chairman

Attest: _____
Brandalin Carnes, County Clerk

In witness whereof the said party hereto has set its hand, affixed its seal and delivered these presents.

[Chrstine Tekippe]

By: 
Date: 8/28/26, _____

Attest: 
Date: 8/28/26, _____



AQUA AEROBICS

Christine Tekippe, WaterArt Certified Instructor

AQUAZEN

Mondays 9:00am - 10:00am

Excellent for participants of all ages and fitness levels. Put your mind, body, and spirit into this workout that will utilize movements of Pilates, Yoga, and Meditation. Mindful movements will flow together with deep breathing, balance, stability and overall core strength designed to improve range motion, joint mobility and pain management. Will use both the shallow and deep end of the recreation pool.

CARDIO SPLASH

Wednesday 9:00am - 10:00am

"Fun"tional Fitness classes you will do exercise to work EVERY part of your body in a variety of ways. Exercise will focus on improving heart health and endurance through a variety of movements. Will use both the shallow and deep end of the recreation pool. Shallow water allows for water walking/jogging, strengthening of the core muscles, balance, and posture improvement. Deep water allows for a fuller range of motion with little or no joint compression.

Power Waves

Friday 9:00am - 10:00am

Highest intensity level class of the week performed in the deep end of the recreational pool. Utilizes a variety of class formats to boost your cardiovascular fitness, increases strength, endurance, and improve flexibility. Boot Camp, Tabata interval training, and Circuit Style formats with the properties of water to allow participants to blast away the calories and increase resting metabolic rate. Prepare for some intense movement to get your body in shape and achieve maximum results through this fun and challenging total body workout that provides minimum impact on joints!

PRICE LIST

Class registration is done weekly

1 class = \$10.00

2 classes = \$20.00

3 classes = \$28.00

\$2.00 discount for all 3 classes in 1 week

Non-Resident Rates include a 20% surcharge

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