

Town of Weare Parks and Recreation

Meeting Minutes February 10, 2015

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: 7:06PM

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Melissa Drury . Vice Chair, J'Amy Colburn, Jim

Leary, Holly Marden, Karyn Stogner - Coordinator

-Action Items in Blue Bold-

- 1. **LWCF** (Land and Water Conservation Fund) application for funding for Tennis Court repairs.
 - a. Awaiting decision in April.

2. Park Updates

- a. Naomi Bolton may have someone to harvest the trees at Chase Park.
 - Trees tagged with green to be trimmed.
 - -Trees tagged with orange to be removed.
- b. Chip may have someone to fix boat ramp.
 - Karyn to check for Dept of Environmental Services permit and get name of interested party from Chip.
- c. Tim Redmond said Chase water is potable but cannot post a sign as potable.
 - Consider a fountain with filters.
 - Chlorinate in spring regardless, then test.
- d. Tim Redmond plowed Chase for the 2/7/15 Sons of American Legion fishing derby.
 - \$130. portable bathroom will remain until end of ice fishing season.
- e. Ariana Roy will submit a request for Bolton Field Challenger Soccer Camp 7/6-10.

- f. Karyn to invite local sports groups for field usage meeting for March meeting. She will also invite Pete Stockhaus so he can hear our field needs.
- g. Karyn finalizing which staff will be returning for Chase Park summer program and will schedule interviews for March meeting if needed.
 - Karyn to post with Mrs. Hume to alert high school students.
 - Melissa to confirm whether Brianna returning as swim instructor.

3. Weare Community News

a. 2/11/15 edition will include article submitted by Karyn regarding the Bolton Parking article on the ballot.

4. Senior Citizen Initiatives

 Karyn received the \$500.bill with list of Seniors who we will cover their dues to attend White Birch in Henniker.

5. CIP/Budget

- a. Bolton Field parking going to 3/10/15 ballot as Article 25.
 - Karyn to send email blast to rally support to Weare Athletic Club and Jen Oesterich for football.
 - Holly to send to youth lacrosse.
 - J'Amy to send to John Stark lacrosse.
 - Melissa to post on our Facebook page.
 - Karyn to place sandwich boards 1 week prior.
 - Karyn also included article in February Community News.
- Karyn and Melissa attended Deliverative Session to speak on PARC's behalf.
- c. 1/27/15 Karyn sent Annual Report to Merry Rice.
- d. Jim recommended we create 1-2 sentences for each line item of the budget to explain what is included. This will help future PARC members as well as the BOS to understand our expenses.
- e. Randy to build a spreadsheet to track our expenditures.
 - Melissa met with Beth Rouse and asked for the budget to be emailed to us.

6. Volunteer Efforts

- a. Skate Night canceled for Friday, January 23 due to inability to prepare the ice. Tears in liner too large to contain water. Will need new liner for next winter.
- b. Melissa tentatively scheduled Archery classes (Dana White Art of Archery) for August 3-7. Town Hall not available for back up in event of rain.
- **c.** Need volunteers for new picnic tables, lifeguard chair, other community service opportunities.
 - J'Amy to contact Mr. Clark and Mrs. Hume of high school.
 - Jim to contact Eagle Scout leaders.
 - Also need new umbrella for lifeguard chair.

March meeting moved to 3/17/15 vs 3/10/15 due to Voting Day.

MEETING ADJOURNED 7:47PM

-Minutes Recorded by JoAmy Colburn

Pending Action Items for future meetings:

Need to replace broken bubble for Bolton playground . will do when warmer weather.

Researching the Mildred Hall Fund, the Town Forestry Fund and the Southern NH Planning/ trust fund as other potential sources for funding.

Creating a 1-2 page written plan of what we want to do with CIP. Focus on cost/benefit and impact on town members due to lack of parking at Bolton, lack of Chase Park/boat ramp access due to no funding to pay staff, safety issues with playground equipment, etc.

Jeremy to research number of spaces needed for similar fields.

Karen took pictures of Bolton parking --- ambulance could not park with all the cars.

People with disabilities cannot park for football games due to no handicap accessible parking. This is an American with Disabilities Act concern.

Beyond CIP we must also gain awareness and support of voters.

Holly and Bruce recommended flyers on car windows or passed out at games and a poster of the difficulty in parking at the polls on voting day.

Jeremy suggested recruiting unpaid Interns from NEC and SNHU to help with flyers, petitions, graphic design.

JoAmy to continue partnership with JSRHS students/teams/groups for Community Service projects to help PARC.

A resident had requested basketball hoops be setup at Ineson.

A Board Member has a hoop and backboard to donate. Would just need the pole.

Spare computer for Chase Park so we can better monitor attendance.

Naomi to check if Fire/Police have one.

Randycs PARC Vision:

Create a binder of schedule and by-laws.

Assign a person to report out on the budget at each meeting, with comparisons to last year and details on why over or under on line items.

Create job descriptions for each assigned role.

Explore grants.

Create a list of all park properties and what we maintain for each annually, reoccurring expenses, Capital Improvement Plans.

Assign a park to each Board member.

Standardize and organize meetings

E.g. Format for Coordinators report with month by month tasks.

Growth and Innovation

- Online calendar
- Newsletters
- Separating from general fund.