



Town of Weare Parks and Recreation

Meeting Minutes *April 11, 2017*

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: 7:05 PM

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Randy Magoon – Chair (late); Melissa Drury – Vice Chair,
Karyn Stogner – Coordinator; Mike Guerrette; Tara Mann

PUBLIC COMMENT: N/A

COORDINATOR'S REPORT/PARK UPDATES

1. Field Usage:

- Weekly Farmer's Market request for use of Gazebo field every Friday beginning June 2nd through October 13, 2017 from 2:00 PM to 6:45 PM. Request **approved** with the exception of July 14, 2017 due to the Patriotic Celebration. In addition, WAC will have a soccer clinic on the back of the field on June 2, 2017. Karyn to notify Weare Farmer's Market of the approval with exceptions.
- Weare Fire & Rescue request for use of Gazebo field on June 3, 2017 from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM for the annual Touch-a-Truck event. Request **approved**. Karyn to notify WFD.
- Follow-up with JSRHS LAX Booster regarding Alumni game at Bolton Field on May 20, 2017. Tara indicated she is not sure if the event will go forward. Karyn indicated if the event does go forward as scheduled, use of the concession stand will be an issue where JSG LAX will have all their equipment/food supplies already stored in the coolers, etc. There is a concern that all the JSG supplies would need to be removed for the one event. Would be easy enough for JSRHS Alumni game to provide concessions outside the stand through the use of a portable grill, coolers and folding tables. Tara shared opinion that JSG shouldn't be allowed to use the concession stand at all for their season program where they are an LLC and should be subject to licensing and tax. Board requested that Tara further research and report back. Board decision for JSG LAX use of field/concession stands for 2017 season.

2. CIP 2016:

Karyn to take pictures of the bathhouse for posting on FaceBook page. Also, it was originally determined that there would be one urinal installed in right side bathroom. Randy and Karyn visited the renovated bathrooms and determined that it would be best to have a second urinal installed in the left side stall. Also, the ceilings should be painted as the stalls are nicely painted and brightly lit, but the ceilings remain plywood. Bathroom signs should also be placed on the doors. Melissa Drury motioned to spend up to the amount remaining in the Chase Park Renovation account (**\$1,865.57**) on the additional urinal, paint and signage. Tara Mann 2nd motion. All in favor. Perhaps if there are any funds left from the additional work, we could look into replacement of the Red Cross stairs which are in disrepair. Karyn will get quote for urinal and obtain door signs, Melissa will speak to someone she

knows regarding the painting. Would like to have work done prior to park opening Memorial Day weekend.

3. Skate Park:

Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) received from School Board. Karyn attended Board of Selectmen meeting with school board members. Karyn provided own input on MOU with concerns regarding enforcement of the skate park equipment to be used by Weare residents only; to be used by use of persons 15 yo and under; the need for an additional gate and updated signage; and that an alternate location be found for the park within 5 years. The BOS also expressed concerns with the 5-year deadline for a new park location. Karyn indicated that the PARC Board had not yet had the benefit of review the memorandum for comment as we meet only once per month. It was agreed that Karyn would bring the MOU for review at the PARC meeting and would attend the School Board's next meeting on April 18, 2017 at 6:00 PM.

PARC review of the MOU – concerned regarding limitation on age of users of the skate park. PARC receives assistance in the form of upgrades and repairs to the equipment by and through high school students – who are typically 16 and over and are users of the park. It is difficult to solicit assistance from those individuals and then tell them they are not able to use the area. Additionally, there may be those over the age of 15 – parents, residents, etc. – that may have an interest in using the park and are not causing harm or misusing/abusing the equipment. Would not be fair ask them to leave. Karyn, if seeing someone older than 15 using the park respectfully, would not require that person to vacate the premises. Another concern is the need for another gate. Any updated sign wording should be agreed upon by PARC and the BOS, not simply set by the Weare School District. The 5-year alternate location plan is also of concern. Karyn and Randy to attend the School Board Meeting on 4/18/17 to express concern.

4. **Trailblazing local signage company. NFI**

5. Community Service Opportunities:

JSRHS Varsity Baseball team will be doing their annual Chase Park cleanup. Date TBD..

6. Community Events:

Chase Park Grand Opening
June 17, 2017
11 AM to 2:00 PM

Karyn to reach out to Scouts or other local organizations to determine if interested in attending to sell food. Also will determine availability for DJ to play at the event.

7. Chase Park:

- 2017 Employee Interviews scheduled for April 30th, 2017 from 6 – 8 PM. Karyn to contact all applicants to schedule interview timeslots.

- Will be looking for 3 gate attendants and 3 additional lifeguards most likely.
- Will also need to interview for available Supervisor position. Karyn will coordinate with candidate.
- Regarding Chase Park entrance fees, would like to see the following:

Non-resident Seniors - \$3.00 parking / day & \$20.00 boat / day (id required)

All Veterans - \$3.00 parking / day & \$20.00 boat/day (id required)

Non-resident season car pass - \$30.00 for following towns:

Deering, Henniker, Hopkinton, Frankestown, New Boston,
Goffstown

Melissa Drury Motioned for above. Mike Guerrette 2nd Motion. All in favor.

Karyn to present to BOS at meeting on 4/17/2017.

8. Seniors:

Inquiry from Pat Chandonnet of the Senior Weare-ites seeking \$200.00 for a garden party on June 20th where they intend to get pizza and deserts from Dimitris.

9. Miscellaneous:

- Concession stand door at Ineson needs repair. New door 2x6 construction – approximately \$240 w/out lock set.
- Gate at football field at Bolton will need repair/replacing
- With WAC constructing new storage shed/snack shack, would like to consider converting existing snack shack into PARC storage. Door on snack shack will need to be replaced.
- Karyn spoke to Peter Stockhaus regarding resurfacing and grass at Gazebo field. He indicated that we want to get moving on this project if we intend to move forward. He will provide a quote. Karyn will forward to the board via email for review.
- Soccer goal post at Bolton will need repair – one of the poles is bent over

Consider fencing or some other sort of barrier around Ineson field.

Tennis Court

1. Further discussion required.

Senior Citizen Initiatives

1. ****See #8 in Coordinator Report****

Recreational Activities/ Community Events

1. ****See #6 in Coordinator Report****

Bolton Playground

1. NFI

Facility use forms

1. ****See #1 in Coordinator Report****

CIP/Budget

1. ****See #2 in Coordinator's Report****

Chase Park

1. ****See #2 & #7 in Coordinator's Report****

Volunteers

1. JSRHS Varsity Baseball to conduct annual Chase Park cleanup. Date TBD.

Miscellaneous

1. ****See #9 in Coordinator's report****

Next Meeting: 5/9/17 at 7:00 PM

MEETING ADJOURNED @ 9:51 PM *-Minutes Recorded by Karyn Stogner*

Pending Action Items for future meetings: