



Town of Weare Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes July 12, 2022

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: 7:00 PM

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Vice Chair, David Lundeen; Pam Moul; Denise Purington; Director, Lisa Grolljahn,

EXCUSED: JaNeen Lentsch

NOT PRESENT: John Van Loendersloot

Pledge of Allegiance

AMENDMENTS TO AGENDA: None

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

Agenda Topics

Topic: Tennis Courts

Tennis courts still on track to be resurfaced the last week of July. VT Recreational has confirmed they are still on track for last week of July. Ms. Purington spoke with Chair of Emma Sawyer Trust Fund regarding signage for acknowledging the donation. They will get back to her regarding actual language. Ms. Purington presented a draft copy of court sharing rules, several edits were made and document was approved for posting on the Parks and Recreation Website. Discussion regarding Capital Reserve Fund and CIP Planning was deferred to July 19, 2022 meeting.

Action Items: Ms. Purington will make change to court sharing rules and Post. Court Sharing rules to be posted to Parks and Recreation website.

Topic: Stake Board Park

Ms. Purington presented information she obtained from Town Office regarding original plans for the skateboard park. All that was available was the original invoice from Skate Parks, INC who are no longer in business. All the original features of the park totaled \$15,000. Commission members are aware that the remaining two original features (quarter pipes) need to be either repaired, replaced with new one or removed.

Action Items: Continue to discuss plan for replacing/removing the two quarter pipes. As of right now this is out of scope of current budget.

Topic: Field Usage

It was brought to the attention of the Commission that WAC has placed a trailer at the Ineson Ball Field. This has not come before the Commission, and we are not sure what the purpose of the trailer is. In addition, it was noted that WAC has still not removed old equipment from Bolton Field which they agreed to do this past spring and were notified again via email in June. Also additional information is needed regarding the WAC shed at Ineson Field prior to making any decision about the trailer.

Action Items: To obtain from WAC an understanding of what the trailer will be used for and to assure it is insured and registered. In addition we need to obtain from WAC what the final state of the shed is including has it been inspected.

Ms. Purington to meet with Mike Provencher regarding trailer and status of the shed. Further discussion regarding the parking of the trailer at Ineson will occur at the July 19, 2022.

Topic: Bolton Park

The current state of Bolton Park was discussed. Ms. Purington informed members that she spoke with the Town Administrator regarding extended mowing around batting cages and extended landscaping within the playground and Ms. Bolton indicated that these items did not get added to this years contract with the landscaping company. Ms. Purington also spoke with her regarding the road into the lower field at Bolton and the “washout” that occurs after every rainstorm. Ms. Bolton requested that Ms. Purington send this information via email attention to the BOS.

Further discussion was had regarding the need for new woodchips on the playground and the possibility of using Abair Tree Services. Abair has offered woodchips for the cost of \$75 per one ton load to cover cost of fuel. Members expressed concerns as these are not “playground” quality woodchips.

Ms. Purington reminded Commission members of the need to get a list of current projects needs that can be presented to John Stark High School for students looking for service hours.

Action Items: Follow up is needed with WAC to remove old soccer nets. The project list to date includes spreading of woodchip once purchased, pulling weeds in playground, painting shed at Bolton Field. Ms. Purington has sent an email including photos to the BOS regarding the state of the Bolton Park lower field road and the need for a long term drainage solution by DPW.

Topic: Price Increases

Ms. Grolljahn informed the commission that she has received notices from American Guardian Portable Toilets that effective June 12th total monthly fees will increase by \$115 dollars and Naughton and Son Recycling effective August 1, 2022 will increase total monthly fees by \$100. This will have an impact of the overall 2022 budgets cost.

Action Items: None at this time. Will look for other options in the FY2023 budget cycle.

Topic: Lawn Games

Lawn games have been returned from Library to Bolton Storage Shed. Corn hole bags have not been located.

Action Items: Ms. Grolljahn will order new cornhole bags.

Topic: New WAC Shed at Ineson Field

The shed at Ineson Field still has not been inspected and follow up on ownership is needed. Commission discussed creating a policy/procedure to govern future donations of buildings or structures to include long term maintenance.

Action Items: Ms. Purington will raise the issue with Mike Provencher when she meets with him on July 18th.

Next Meeting: July 19th at 7:00 PM to discuss needs and action items for 2023 budget

MEETING ADJOURNED @ 9pm

Minutes Recorded by Denise Purington