

Town of Weare Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes August 24, 2022

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: Special Meeting called to order at 7pm at Weare Tennis Courts

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Chair, JaNeen Lentsch via phone; Pam Moul; Denise Purington; Director, Lisa Grolljahn, Officer Christopher M. George

EXCUSED: John Van Loendersloot

NOT PRESENT: David Lundeen

Pledge of Allegiance N/A note location of meeting

AMENDMENTS TO AGENDA: None

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

Agenda Topics

Topic: How to secure tennis courts

Committee members discussed recent issues with person(s) riding bikes and skateboards on tennis courts. Since the new surface has been laid down there have been two weekends in a row with tire marks and skate marks left on new surface. Commission members are concerned that damage will occur to the new surface. Officer George was present to provide his input. Ms. Purington raised the option of locking courts and using an extension at the Town office to instruct any individual wanting to use courts on the code to unlock gate. This recording could be used to reinforce conditions of using courts like proper shoes, no bikes or skateboards ect. It would also allow us to capture a cellphone number should damage occur. It would also require changing lock combination on a regular basis. This was a suggestion made by one of the Select Board members and had been communicated to the Commission members prior to the meeting. Ms. Grolljahn voice her concern with this option stating that there may be youth in town who want to use the courts that do not have cell phones and this would prohibit them using them. Officer George voiced support for this as one option that could be used in conjunction with others. No other members were in support of this option so there was no further discussion other than Ms. Purington requesting that if there was one more incident this option would be revisited.

Action Items: Chains will be purchased to be used to lock back gate which will remain locked and a chain will be purchased for front gate for when the gate is locked this fall/winter. Ms. Grolljahn to purchase chains.

Topic: Cameras

The members present discussed the option of purchasing cameras and positioning them around the areas. Discussion took place regarding who will monitor video and how will WIFI access be obtained. Ms. Purington mentioned she had spoken to the Library Director who had no issues with us access the Library's public WIFI. Officer George voiced his support for cameras along with locking of the gates. Ms. Moul made a motion to purchase cameras not to exceed the cost of \$500. The motion was seconded by Ms. Grolljahn and the motion was approved by members present.

Action Items: Ms. Grolljahn will contact Town Office to have cameras ordered.

Next Meeting: September 13, 2022 at 7:00 PM

MEETING ADJOURNED @ 7:30 pm

Minutes Recorded by Denise Purington