



Town of Weare Parks and Recreation

***Meeting Minute
July 10, 2012***

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: ~7:00PM

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Melissa Drury, Chuck Metcalf, Jim Leary, Jim Blouin, Randy Magoon, Gene Propper, Tom Desrosier and Mike Housman.

MOMENT OF REMEMBRANCE FOR DOT O'NEIL

CHASE PARK:

- There was a recent staff injury involving a razor blade. Mike will pick up a supply of safety razors for staff to use in the future.
- Update on the RFP for the well project: There is a dug well on the property, but little is known about it. The water would need to be tested for quality and quantity (how quickly does it replenish itself). The well is located in the area between the boat ramp and Reservoir Drive.
- Problems continue with the women's toilets being plugged. Mike will ask Naomi if the town has a camera system for scoping the pipe to see if roots may be infiltrating the pipes. If the town does not have one, Mike will contact an outside company (ie. Roto-Rooter) to inspect the pipes. The porta potties shall remain at Chase until the toilet issue has been resolved.
- At our August 2011 meeting, PARC voted to remove the paper towel supplies from the bathrooms because it was reported the clogged toilets were due to guests flushing the paper towels. Since the toilet issues have persisted, it was decided that the paper towels were not the root cause and should be resupplied in the bathrooms. Mike will look into the different paper towel dispensing options available.
- Mike will speak with BiggDawg about cutting the tall grass by the boat dock. Public Works took care of the dead tree, but the "widow-maker" remains. Jim L. will speak to Tim at Public Works to have this taken care of.
- The erosion area (where the trees were cut down between the Red Cross Stairs and the beach) needs to be addressed in the fall.
- A load of sand will be brought in to replenish the beach area. State regulations allow one load to be added every 2 years.
- Trash has been overflowing. Pick-up is supposed to be on Tuesdays. It had not been done by Tuesday morning when Gene was there last. Mike will check to make sure it is being picked up as scheduled.
- Swim lessons are going well.

- Mike will put a reminder on Channel 6 that there is a No Pet policy at Chase Park.
- Discussion regarding coverage for evenings/closing when Kendra is away. Decision made to have 2-kids, at least one of which would be 18 years old, on duty for these evenings/closings.
- The Head Gatekeeper is responsible for dealing with everyday staffing issues, etc. In the event of an emergency or other significant problems, the Head Gatekeeper is to contact Mike, or if Mike is not available, Naomi (Town Administrator). Kathy has been made aware of this policy.
- There is currently only one lifeguard on staff at this time. He is on duty 5-days a week from 11AM-4PM. A second staff member is expecting to be certified soon, at which time coverage will be 7-days a week from 11AM-5PM.
- The pavilion has been suggested to the Scouts as a possible Eagle Scouts project.

FIELD MAINTENANCE:

- All irrigation zones appear to be working on the football field. Mike will contact the man who did the hydro-seeding so he can come back and hydro-seed the area again. The field is off limits for practices until the grass has been re-established. Jim B. will remind Sean (football) that this field is for games only.
- The County Prisoner's program has been defunded. No more help available from Tony and his crew.
- The brush along the road into Bolton Fields needs to be cut back. Jim L. will speak to Tim at Public Works about this. Public Works has graded the road into the fields, but not the parking areas. Mike will ask BiggDawg to weed-wack the playground area.
- Mike reminded WAC (baseball program) about the carry-in/carry-out trash policy at Purington Field.
- Holes (created by bored baseball players) need to be filled in on Purington field before soccer season begins. There is a pile of dirt there that can be used to fill in these holes. Mike will contact Ariana Roy (WAC soccer) to let her know.
- The poison ivy at Ineson has returned! Jim L. will pick up some Round-up and spray the area when he's there next. He will also do some spraying of weeds in the infield area.
- The grass in the area where the skate rink was set up is coming in well.
- Lots of people enjoyed the concert held during the Patriotic Celebration. It was agreed that we would do this again next year. Mike will look into the cost for

hiring a band for Old Home Days (August 25th). East Bay Jazz Ensemble was recommended.

FIELD EXPANSION PROJECT:

- The Town Forester took a look at the property at Ineson. He recommended we hire a Forester to selectively cut the trees and not clear cut the area. An access road should be created for the skidders to move in and out, which will pack down the trail for later use by cars.
- Randy will look into getting a quote for the development of a Master Plan for this project.

MEETING ADJOURNED: 9:03PM