



Town of Weare Parks and Recreation

Meeting Minutes June 14, 2016

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: 7:07 PM

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Randy Magoon - Chair, Melissa Drury – Vice Chair, Tara Mann,
Karyn Stogner – Coordinator

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mario Vanini & Brett Merrill

Attended on behalf of the Lake Horace Land Owners Association. Would like to further discussion on the donation of a new sign for the boat ramp at Chase Park. Lake Horace LOA has allotted \$1,000.00 for the sign. Proposed changes reviewed and a proof will be submitted via e-mail to Karyn for board approval. It is anticipated that, if approved expeditiously, the sign could be ready and installed in mid-July.

Mario Vanini

Resides at 353 Reservoir Drive – abutting the Chase Park property. Approached the board last season regarding fencing at back boat ramp and posting signage for park guests and boaters. Would like to see fencing installed across the back boat ramp, which is still being used to launch boats by those that are able to carry their boats. This goes unseen by the gate attendants. Has also experienced fishing and swimmers in that area that are less than courteous – finds them throwing cigarette butts and urinating. There are also boats that moor on that side in the cove. Would like to see signage posted for no mooring, no launching, etc. He would also like to see a sign at the front gate when the park is closed indicating that the park is closed and police take notice. He indicated that there were no less than 8 cars parked outside the locked gate after park hours or when the park is not manned by staff. Also noticed that PARC will be renovating the bath house at some point. Would like to have any porta-potties positioned away from his property. Finally, inquired as to the frequency of the dumpster emptying at the park.

The board will look into existing signage that is in storage at the park to determine if any is usable for the purposes mentioned above. Will also look into installing chains to go across the area in question at the park. The board will accommodate the request for porta-pottie placement once it is determined when the bath house will undergo the renovation. Do not anticipate the project will take longer than one to two weeks. Karyn confirmed that the dumpster will be emptied weekly beginning June 16th when Chase Park opens daily for the season.

Robert Yelle

Attended on behalf of the JSRHS French Club. Inquired about a fundraising opportunity for the students participating in the French Club that wish to partake in the annual trip to France. The kids would like to set up a “concession” table at Chase Park where they would sell waters and other beverages and snacks to guests at the park. They would be responsible for set-up and breakdown of their designated area and are willing to assist in making sure the any garbage left behind in the beach/picnic areas are picked up. They will also be required to post signage outlining what the funds are being raised for.

PARC is in agreement and feels this will be a benefit to both the French Club and the guests at Chase Park.

Michael & Chantal Guerrette

Attended with an eye toward becoming board members. The purpose and responsibilities of PARC were reviewed in detail. The process of becoming a board member was explained by the PARC board and both were invited to stay for the remainder of the meeting. They will be required to attend an additional meeting, submit a request to volunteer for approval which will be submitted to the Board of Selectmen for approval. We hope to see them at our next meeting.

-Action Items in Blue Bold-

Meeting Minutes

May minutes not addressed. To be addressed at next meeting July 12th.

COORDINATOR'S REPORT/PARK UPDATES

1. Weare Community News article submitted in late May for June edition. Focused on JSRHS Varsity Baseball Chase Park cleanup; JSRHS Intersession skate park makeover; Bolton Playground cleanup; thank you to DPW for assistance with playground mulch delivery. Next article will be due at the end of July for August publishing.
2. CIP 2016: Seal coating and striping completed by Bedford Seal Coating. The spring beach area remediation was conducted by Townes Excavating. Received an email from a Brad Earich of Dodge Data & Analytics seeking additional information regarding the bath house renovation – legal notice, bid deadline, estimated cost, engineer/design firm information. Karyn to respond about whether they have a local representative to view the project. Melissa to post project information on PARC Facebook page. Will need to contact contractors in an attempt to get bids if no action over the next couple weeks.
3. Bolton Playground: 100 yards of the 200 yards purchased were spread at Bolton. Had 15 or so volunteers throughout the day who offered between 1 – 8 hours of their time. The pre-schooler area received a power-washing by the Weare Area Playgroup.
4. Skate Park –**Still waiting for donation of work on fence.**
5. Need to order signs for parks. **Trailblazing local signage company - Melissa to contact. No Further Information**
6. Community Service Opportunities: Still need to spread the remaining mulch at Bolton Playground.
7. Community Events:

Archery lessons / swim lessons scheduled. Found a swim instructor willing to take on two sessions of swim – Session I: 6/20 – 23 & 7/27 – 6/30; Session II: 7/25 – 7/28 & 8/1 – 8/4. Received 15 applications at registration night.

Historical Society Old Home Day 8/27/16. PARC will provide jazz band for the event. Heleen Kurk has secured the band and is seeking an additional \$100 beyond the \$400 already approved by the board. The band's fee is \$500 total.

Karen Metcalf from the Weare Library is seeking to have PARC participate in her library readers field day event. Discussed 7/25 as a possible date. Will need to determine what sort of activities.

8. Chase Park:

Well was chlorinated by Capital Well.

8th Grade swim day went forward on 6/9.

Park opened 5/28 for the season (weekends only). Orientation was held from 8 – 10 for employees. Also opened up the boat ramp for lake residents only from 8 – 10. Things were a bit chaotic with both things happening at once as there were boats lined up and ready to go at 8:00. For future openings, perhaps delay the boat for an hour to allow for uninterrupted collection of employment information and review of the season.

Spoke to Goffstown P&R regarding lifeguards they may have had to turn away due to an excess in applications. They will keep in mind that we are looking and will send over anyone that may be interested. Have not received any inquiries to date.

Incident at Chase Park where child was hooked behind the ear by someone fishing on/near the beach. Parent notified the Lake Horace Assoc. who notified Coordinator. No further information.

Lake resident found a dock/raft floating aimlessly on the lake. Tied it up so it wouldn't hit any boats or vice versa. The individual posted a lost/found notice on Lake Assoc. website, but is unsure what to do with it if no one claims it. No further information.

Received a call from Lisa at St. Mary's Childcare looking to bring kids to the park on July 14th and August 4th. 40 kids are anticipated in July and 20 kids anticipated in August. Karyn spoke to Lisa and requested that a usage form be submitted for each date, along with non-profit information and insurance information. The usage form was emailed to Lisa to fill out and return, but nothing has been received to date. Attempted to call Lisa on 6/13, but went directly to voice mail.

9. Seniors: Luncheon was rescheduled to a date in June.

10. Miscellaneous:

Received requests from various Weare Athletic Club board members to have fencing at Purington baseball field fixed and the concession stand at Ineson affixed with a new door and screening. Requested that they send someone to our PARC meeting to review their concerns. Karyn will reach out to WAC board members requesting that they attend our next meeting in July.

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

Tennis Court

Further discussion required.

Senior Citizen Initiatives

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

Recreational Activities

1. Randy will purchase yard games as previously approved by the board.
2. Need to determine date for 2nd Annual Family Field Day. Will discuss further at July meeting.
3. Coordinate with Karen Metcalf for library reading group field day.
4. Old Home Day 8/27 – will determine what sort of event PARC will host – possibly yard games.

Bolton Playground

1. ****See #3 of Coordinator's Report****

Facility use forms

1. ****See #8 of Coordinator's Report****

CIP/Budget

1. ****See #2 in Coordinator's Report****
 - Seal coating and striping completed by Bedford Seal Coating.
 - The spring beach area remediation was conducted by Townes Excavating
 - Still seeking bids for bath house renovation

Chase Park

1. ****See #2 & #8 in Coordinator's Report****

Community Events

1. 2nd Annual Family Field Day @ Gazebo
****DATE TO BE DETERMINED****
2. Art of Archery @ Gazebo
August 1st through 5th from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM
3. Swim Lessons
Session I: 6/20 – 6/23 & 6/27 – 6/30; Session II: 7/25 – 7/28 & 8/1 – 8/4
4. Old Home Day presented by Historical Society
August 27, 2016
PARC to provide jazz band. **PARC will put additional thought into an event for the day and will keep the Historical Society updated.**

5. Other possibilities:
S'mores Nights; Camping Night at Chase; Lawn Game event; Concert

Volunteers

1. Michael & Chantal Guerrette to be considered for board position.

Next Meeting: 7/12/16 at 7:00 PM

MEETING ADJOURNED @ 9:36 PM *-Minutes Recorded by Karyn Stogner*

Pending Action Items for future meetings:

- ☐ WAC drawing up plan for Bolton storage/concession stand. WAC will attend a PARC meeting to share plan.
- ☐ Jeremy to share advice/expertise he gathered on how waterways are handled to minimize impact to adjacent landowners.
- ☐ Look at donation of an old laptop to track Chase Park attendance.
- ☐ Recruit new members from the high school to the Cable committee to update technology/approach.