



# *Town of Weare Parks and Recreation*

*Meeting Minute  
October 8, 2013*

**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: ~7:00PM**

**MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:** Jim Blouin, Valerie King, Chuck Metcalf, Randy Magoon, Melissa Drury, Jim Leary, and Mike Housman,

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

- Jan Snyder representing the 250th Committee came to discuss the Committee's projects and seek PARCs participation. Beginning next year, the Committee will be doing special projects/events per month. Ideas for January include a Snow Bowl (football), a softball tournament, and possibly a soccer game at Bolton. Snowshoeing, cross-country skiing, sledding, and concessions are also being considered. All activities will be family oriented. The Committee is seeking PARC participation in making these events a success.
- John Downing representing WAC came to discuss the conditions at Purington, and what can be done to improve this field.
  1. Irrigation was deemed a vital element to improving this field.
  2. There is a well on the site, but it has not been tested so it is unclear if it is potable or if there is enough water to support an irrigation system.
  3. Suggested that Tim (Public Works) be contacted to have the water tested, and that a well company be contacted for a pump test estimate (to see how much water is there and to get an estimate on costs).
  4. The well does not contain a pump. It is just a hole. Will need to run electrical from the shed (200-300' away).
  5. Not recommended to totally reseed the field as this would take the field off line for at least a year to give the grass time to establish itself.
  6. Suggested that loam be brought in to fill holes and bare spots and to have the entire field "slice" seeded. This should keep the field in decent condition until the new fields are built.

*Chuck made a motion to authorize up to \$300 for WAC to purchase supplies/rent equipment to fill holes and slice seed Purington Field. Randy seconded the motion. Vote: 6-0-0. Motion carried.*

**COORDINATOR'S REPORT (Mike):**

- The Lawn Care contract ends on November 30th. A review of the contract found that the language is good. The problem is lack of enforcement. The contract will be reviewed with the bidders so they fully understand our expectations. A

- fertilizing schedule will need to be added to the contract. An idea schedule would be 4 fertilizations per year - Spring, late-Spring, Summer and Fall.
- The Halloween Party will be held on October 26th in the morning.
  - Someone has been vandalizing the porta-potties at Purington and most recently at Ineson. Someone is cutting holes in the sides of the units. Attempts to patch them have been vandalized as well. Mike will file a police report so these occurrences are on record.
  - The door of the concession stand at Ineson has also been vandalized. Repairs are estimated to cost \$50-\$100. Malcolm Wright will be making these repairs.
  - Tim (Public Works) has regraded the road into Bolton.
  - The estimates for a short-term (good for 2-3 years) repair of the tennis courts is \$3900. The courts were last repaired with this method in 2009. They are in bad shape. A total redo of the courts (reconstruction) will run approximately \$85K to \$95K..
  - Bids for work at Chase Park are as follows:
    - ✓ Replace the roof of the bathroom (Ed Benoit) = \$1,200. There is enough money (in Capital Reserve) to also have the shed roof replaced (hole in roof). Members agreed that both roofs will be done.
    - ✓ Seal coat the parking lot (Bedford Seal Coating) = \$4,670 (low bid).
  - Budget due Monday. Mike will submit our proposal to Naomi with the following budget increases:
    - ✓ Increase "rubbish removal" to \$2K.
    - ✓ Increase "Chase Park repairs" to \$2K (due to need to pump septic more frequently).
    - ✓ Increase "Chase Park salaries" to \$20K.
  - Mike will check out the baseball scoreboard at Bolton.

#### **OTHER BUSINESS:**

- There will be a site walk of the East Road property on October 26th at 9AM.
- A facility use form will need to be completed to use the town sign.
- Need to work on Bruce's suggestion that vent pipes be added to the leach field at Chase Park (to improve septic system).
- Mike at Geo will be providing us with an estimate to create a Master Plan for Chase Park. A Master Plan (with specifications) will be needed as part of any CIP project.
- A patch kit is needed to repair the ice rink. It costs \$45 for a 200' roll of repair tape. Mike is authorized to make this purchase.

- There is graffiti on the baseball dugouts at Bolton that needs to be addressed. Mike will take a look and see what needs to be done (paint vs. stain).
- Naomi has told Tim (Public Works) to open the gate at Chase Park to let boats out. PARC members expressed serious concern that this request did not come directly to us, and that we were not informed of Naomi's directive to Tim.
- Mike will winterize Chase Park (turn off the water, etc).

**MEETING ADJOURNED: ~ 8:45PM**