



**Town of Weare
Parks and Recreation Commission
FINAL Meeting Minutes
April 11, 2023**

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: 7:05pm

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Chair, JaNeen Lentsch; Vice Chair, David Lundeen; Pam Moul; Denise Purington; Director, Lisa Grolljahn, Salim Blume Ex-Officio

EXCUSED: N/A

NOT PRESENT: N/A

Pledge of Allegiance

AMENDMENTS TO AGENDA: Email Communications and Phone Calls

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: No minutes to be approved

Agenda Topics

Topic: Weare Tennis Courts - The tennis courts are clear and look good. Minimal cracks noted. These minor cracks will need to be filled once temps stay above 50 degrees. Ms. Purington has contacted VT Rec for a quote on cost of materials. Opening of tennis courts were discussed and Commission agreed on an opening date of April 22, 2023. The phone message to obtain the code for the gate lock needs to be created. Ms. Purington presented some potential language for this message. Members discussed purchasing a lock that could be changed by Commission members but not by the public. Members also discussed signage to be placed on gate to instruct on how to get the lock code. A request was made by Ms. Purington for Parks and Rec to purchase a pickleball net. Currently all 4 nets have been made available by donation and are reaching their end of life. Ms. Moul made a motion to spend up to four hundred dollars to purchase a pickleball net to be kept in the secured bin at the tennis courts. Ms. Lentsch seconded the motion, all were in favor, the motion passed. The funds will come from account 631.

Action Items:

Ms. Purington to paint tennis net post and install tennis nets before the April 22nd opening. Ms. Purington will create the message before the opening of the courts. Ms. Purington will ask Ms. Rouse to order net, and to put notification of opening day and purchase of new net on the town website.

Mr. Lundeen to obtain combination lock for gate.

Ms. Grolljahn will obtain the sign.

Topic: Skate Park – We have been contacted by an Eagle Scott regarding doing a project at the skateboard park. We have instructed him to come to a meeting to present his proposal once he is ready. Fence repair of the fence was discussed. The fence was damaged from school plowing during the last storm. Ms. Lentsch informed Commission members that both gates need to be repaired and a yellow safe top cover needs to be placed around the top of fence. Ms. Lentsch received once quote from MH Fence at a cost of \$1,846.

Action Items: - Commission members will do a walkthrough of the site on Saturday April 15, 2023 at 8 am to determine the exact extent of repairs needed. Ms. Purington to speak with Ms. Bolton regarding who is accountable for covering the cost of repairs.

Topic: Field Usage

Action Items: NA

Topic: Bolton Field - We need to find an irrigation company. Ms. Grolljahn is working of this. Playground wood chips are needed. Ms. Grolljahn will reach out to Stockhaus LLC to get a quote. The gate to Bolton field needs repair and we have received approval to gate this entrance. Ms. Lentsch contacted MH Fence LLC for a quote to remove and install new gates and repairs to fencing. The estimated cost is \$2739. Ms. Purington made a motion to move forward with fence repair and spend up to \$4,000 to repair and install the gates at Bolton field. Ms. Lentsch seconded it, all were in favor and motion passed. This repair will come out of account #596 and #682. Discussion regarding obtaining more rocks to prevent vehicles from entering football field was discussed. Discussion regarding the proper repair of the road going down into playground areas and football field to place as repair is still need. Road washout continues to happen. Addition work is needed to get park open for the season. Sun shades need to be put up, slide repaired and windows in playground structure replaced.

Action Items: Ms. Moul will contact DPW regarding adding more rocks around the football field and to correct drainage issues on road down to playground and football field.

Broken slide – and windows need to be repaired. Commission members will schedule time to do playground repairs.

Topic: Fields readiness – Mr. Stockhaus has advised that fields are still wet and will need another week to dry before practices and play begins.

Action Items: Continue to monitor.

Topic: Chase Park – Boat ramp still needs repair. Discussion regarding possible state grant took place. Commission feels that with all the unknowns about this grant it could delay repairs for another year. Chase Park 2023 fees were discussed. Six days in 2022 at chase compacity with reached. All other days were under compacity. Ms. Purington requested that at each monthly meeting Chase Park stats should be presented.

Action Items:

Boat Ramp – State Grant that we can apply for to get concrete pad. This would delay repairs for another year. Asphalt will be repaired by DPW . They are scheduled to make a presentation on their proposal for repair at this Monday's Select Board meeting. Current permits allow for repairs for up to 5 years. Money for repair will come from DPW. Since Permits are secured and DPW can do the repairs we should move forward with current plan. Parks and Rec can then look into future options for the grant for future repairs.

Cost of purchasing car Stickers for 2023 will run \$800.

2023 pricing was recommended as follows: Resident season pass was recommended to be \$20 per car with \$5 for every additional car. Resident daily rate will be \$5 per day. Motion made by Ms. Lentsch to recommend to Board of Selectman that resident daily rates be \$5 per car, \$20 for season pass with \$5 for each additional car. Motion was seconded by Ms. Purington. All were in favor, motion passed. Boat ramp cost for residents for annual boat launch was recommended at \$30. Motion was made by Ms. Lentsch for resident season boat ramp at \$30, Ms. Purington seconded it and all were in favor. Motion passed. Senior cost annually to enter park is free for one car and second car at \$5. Senior boat pass was recommended to be \$15 per boat for annual fee. Additional boat launch would be \$30 for additional boats. Motion was made by Ms. Purington for seniors to receive a fee car pass with additional car passes at \$5 and senior boat launch fee to be set at \$15 with each additional boat pass be at \$30. Motion was seconded by Ms. Lentsch. All were in favor, motion passed. Veterans should remain same as seniors. Ms. Lentsch made a motion for veterans to receive a fee car pass with additional car passes at \$5 and veteran boat launch fee to be set at \$15 with each additional boat pass be at \$30. Motion was seconded by Ms. Purington. All were in favor and the motion passed. Nonresident fee should be reduced to \$5 per person regardless of age with no reentry. A motion was made by Ms. Lentsch to set nonresident fee at \$5 per person per day with non-reentry. Motion was seconded by Ms. Grolljah. All were in favor and the motion passed. Non-resident boat launch should remain the same. Park hours will be changed to opening at 9am and closing at 8pm every day of the week. Hours will be revisited in the fall.

Granite State Internet should be installed by opening day.

A motion was made by Ms. Purington to allocate up to \$800 for car stickers for Chase Park. Ms. Lentsch seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed. Line 611 will be charged for these expenses.

Topic: Chase Park Clean Up Date

Action Items: Clean up day is scheduled for Saturday April 23, 2023

Next Meeting: May 9, 2-23 at 7:00 PM

MEETING ADJOURNED: A motion was made by Ms. Grolljah to go into a non-public session using RSA 91-a:C3. It was seconded by Ms. Lentsch. All were in favor and the motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 9:15pm.

Minutes Recorded by Denise Purington