



TOWN OF NORWELL RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

November 9th, 2022 7:00 pm (Town Hall, Lower Level)

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Christopher Madden, Chair (At-Large)
Shana Hallman, Member (At-Large)
Andrea Warren, Member (At-Large)
Christine White, Member (At-Large)
Patrick Kelly, Member (At-Large)

MEMBERS NOT PRESENT:

TOWN EMPLOYEES PRESENT: George Grey, (Recreation Superintendent)

Agenda

Chair Madden moved to start the meeting at 7:07 pm. The motion was approved 5-0

Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes

None to approve.

Expenditures

Vouchers presented to members at the time of the meeting were all signed.

Discussion

Superintendent Grey updated the Commission on the Fall Program. Over 1,200 participants in the different programs. The Winter Program brochure will be arriving in mailboxes this week with registration opening on November 30th. There are still some spots open for Recreation Staff for certain positions and programs. On the Recreation Facility Use, Field & Property Progress topic, Superintendent Grey shared that the Gaffield Park CPC application for the paved performance plaza was submitted and is under review by the CPC. For the Osborne Field Study, Superintendent Grey will be having a meeting with Highway Surveyor Ferguson and Gale Assoc. to discuss combining elements of the two plans. Superintendent Grey will be reviewing the RFP for the High School Front Fields with an attorney prior to the proposal going out. The commission then briefly discussed the Tennis Courts and how/if they were managed similarly to other fields and properties. Superintendent Grey explained that the courts were for community/school use with no fee but that non-school/ non-recreation program usage for the purpose of any other paid/organized program would not be permitted unless liability/insurance considerations were resolved first.

Other Business

The Community COA/Recreation Center site feasibility study RFP is being reviewed by an attorney. Some stakeholders believe that the St. Helen's Church property may not be

appropriate for this purpose. The draft of the RFP is due back on 11/10/2022. Chair Madden restated that the Fishing Derby date for 2023 will be May 20th. He will share the Sponsor List from the past year's events with the Commission Members so that it can be updated and any new businesses may be added. Other Fundraising/ Sponsorship Event Planning discussions focused on the Kickball Fundraiser with the Norwell Police Department that raised money for the Summer Rec. Scholarships. The committee raised the possibility that there could also be a Winter version of this type of fundraiser with kids interacting with Norwell Public Safety similar to the Kickball event.

Commission Member Reports

Member Kelly took some time to go over the active FY24 CPC requests with the members of the Recreation Commission. A total of 16 line items were reviewed, including some Recreation specific projects, with active discussions on the prioritization and benefit of each to the town. Each project submitter will be presenting to the CPC over the course of the next few months in preparation for May Town Meeting requests to the voters.

Upcoming Meeting Dates

Wednesday December 14th, 2022 (7:00 pm)

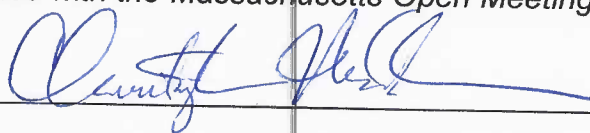
Wednesday January 11th, 2023 (7:00 pm)

Adjournment

Chair Madden moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:36 pm. The motion was approved 3-0

These minutes have been approved with reading of the minutes by the Norwell Recreation Commission at a public meeting duly noticed and held on 12/21/2022, in accordance with the Massachusetts Open Meeting Law.

Signed: _____



Committee Clerk

Date: _____

12/21/2022

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