

## Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes

October 17, 2022

Barrington Town Gym at 5:30pm



APPROVED

Present: Scott Ramsey, Doug Langdon, Dale Sylvia, Jessica Tennis, Sarah Bailey

Guests:

Selectboard Liaison: Not in attendance

Call to Order: Dale called the meeting to order at 5:35

Old Business:

Approval of past minutes: There was not a quorum of people who attended the September 19<sup>th</sup> meeting.

New Business:

Program Report:

There were 451 participants in the month of September. Jessie noted that pickleball participation numbers are anticipated to increase in October, because a nighttime pickleball option has been added.

Revolving Fund Report:

Beginning Balance: \$503,847.77

Ending Balance: \$539,935.03

The Commission discussed the park project. Jessie confirmed that the town's material was enough to level the first corner of the field.

The Commission discussed the revolving fund projections. Doug asked that projected figures be noted as "to be considered" when they have not been voted on.

Jessie updated the Commission that she confirmed with Conor MacIver that Capital Reserves can be used for things such as playground mulch and other annual expenses. She also discussed Impact Fees with him. There are a lot of requirements to get an impact fee established, that would cost more money than they would bring it in. Based on the proposed budgets from other departments Jessie suggested the Rec wait until next year to ask for a Capital Reserve fund. The Commission supported waiting until next year.

Jessie is working with Solid Roots to get a quote for the remaining gym wall to be put into next year's budget. The quote came in around \$75,000 but does not include replacing the doors. Jessie anticipates around \$15,000 to replace the doors. She is waiting to get a quote from Unified Builders. Once she gets the second quote, she will pass them along to Conor to be voted on for the next budget season.

Jessie updated the Commission that the Food Pantry has not yet secured floor coverings. Jessie has reiterated to them that they will need coverings to utilize the gym for holiday baskets. She also reiterated that they need to be able to store them, as there is not room at the Recreation Department to store them. Dale clarified that Jessie will be able to have input on the floor coverings before they are purchased to ensure they are high enough quality to protect the floor.

Staffing continues to be a struggle for the Department. The KAP Site Supervisor has been accepted into a program out of state for the spring semester. The Department will be working to solidify program plans

and summer camp plans before the spring. The Department is working hard to secure more staffing and additional leadership staff. The Department is analyzing multiple structure options for the Department and after school care. A need for leadership development has been identified as one of the key factors in strengthening staffing and programming in the department.

Jessie updated the Commission that the Town is working on a Capital Improvement Plan. Jessie is working with the Town Planner to have Recreation Projects included.

The field project will be finished by Fall Fest. It will be hydroseeded in the spring.

The bathroom floor has been completed but will have final touches done in following weeks. It was paid for by the Town's Operating Budget.

The pavilion is still under way. Jessie is working to get the field surveyed, as that is a requirement for the planning committee.

Jessie is working with a resident to plan and build a pump track on Ramsdell Lane. The project is in the preliminary stages, and Jessie will keep the Commission updated as the project progresses.

Jessie updated the Commission on the 15-passenger van. The 2023 commercial market closed in 3 weeks, so available stock is almost nonexistent. Jessie is working with many local dealerships to find one as they become available. The Commission discussed possibilities for purchasing a van outside of the State Bid List.

Jessie updated the Commission on Fall Fest. The whole event will be bigger than year's past. Jessie asked that any Commissioners available seriously consider helping with the event.

Dale asked if the Commission should attend the budget presentation. Jessie said the Recreation Commission bylaws state that the Commission Chair be there, but she said our presentation doesn't include any major changes, so it may not be necessary.

Dale made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:44, Scott seconded, vote unanimous.

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