

APPROVED MINUTES
Windham Recreation Committee-July 21st, 2011

Members Present: Ralph Valentine, Tim Kelleher, Chris O'Neil, Dennis Senibaldi, Barry Goldman Lynn Goldman

Members Excused: Bill Brennan, Glen Yergeau

Members Absent: Mike Caruso and Bill Fidler

Also present: Recreation Coordinator Cheryl Haas and Selectman Kathleen Difruscia

Notes:

Members leaving early: Dennis Senibaldi excused at 9:06pm

❖ Chairman Ralph Valentine called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm.

Minutes:

May Minutes

A motion was made by Dennis Senibaldi to approve the minutes of May 2011, seconded by Chris O'Neil
Passed 6-0

June Minutes

A motion was made by Dennis Senibaldi to approve the minutes of May 2011, seconded by Barry Goldman
Passed 5-0-1

Recreation Coordinator Updates:

- Parking Lot at Griffin Park
 - CPIA to review plans with Peter Zhodi
 - Plans are out for bid
 - Ms. Haas will keep the committee updated on the project

- Summer Programs
 - Programs are full and going well

- Aug Meeting
 - Should focus on upcoming Budget meetings
 - Look at maintenance projects and priorities

- Senior Picnic
 - Aug 5th at the High School
 - Town Hall is closed due to the picnic
 - Attendance expected to be 300-400
 - Aprox. 20 volunteers (mix between staff employees and residents)
 - Look at catering the event in the future

- Planning Board Meeting
 - Scheduled for Aug 3rd
 - Meeting will be at the Community Development Dept. not the Town Hall

- Windham Soccer Association
 - Issues with visibility to their master schedule
 - The WSA has multiple schedulers

- Recommend the Recreation Committee send a letter to the WSA asking for visibility to their master schedule

A motion was made by Tim Kelleher and seconded by Dennis Senibaldi;

That the Recreation Committee sends a letter to the WSA respectfully requesting they provide the Recreation Coordinator a master schedule.

Motion passed 6-0

- Town Beach
 - Raft
 - The raft was flipped upside down and sustained damage
 - Received assistance for the Windham FD since it couldn't be righted
 - Pontoons took on water and need to be checked
 - Raft is 15 years old and the committee may want to think about replacing it.
 - Parking
 - Still many out of state plates in the parking lot
 - Blocking / parking in front of the fire access
 - Discussion about surveillance cameras and if it made sense to look into this further
 - Mr. Senibaldi noted the Transfer Station has old equipment that may be an option if the committee wanted to pursue.
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 - CPIA Water Ski Show
 - Event is scheduled for Aug 20th
 - The Town beach is used as viewing area as well as the staging area for the Emcee/DJ
 - Ms. Haas brought up safety concerns
 - lifeguards have a hard time hearing anything due to the event
 - Location of the Emcee/DJ on the concrete pad blocks the path of the lifeguards that are in the block house
 - Mr. Senibaldi suggested using an air horn in case of emergency
 - Look into using a Park Ranger for the event
 - CPIA will work with ms Haas for a solution

OLD BUSINESS

Master Plan: The committee decided to move this agenda item to the August meeting and make it the first agenda item

Rec Rules Updates are needed to reflect the changes from the committee

Minutes:

Maintenance:

Sod replacement

- Needed before soccer starts
- Nashua Rd, Griffin Park and Searles all need sod work
- Taking \$1,500 from the Lacrosse budget

Aerate and Seed

- Back of Griffin Park
- Has never been done
- Need to get estimates

- **OLD BUSINESS** (cont)

Skate Park

- A meeting was held on July 8th at the Skate Park to determine the condition. Those in attendance Ralph Valentine, Tim Kelleher, Cheryl Haas and Mike Loiselle
- They determined the following
 - 150 sheets total
 - Aprox. 115 have been replaced
 - 35 more need to be replaced due to poor condition
- Currently we own 6 sheets and would need 29 more to complete the project.
- The Recreation Committee has money in the budget to cover the repairs

Motion was made by Dennis Senibaldi and seconded by Chris O’Neil;

To spend up to \$6,000 to purchase the remaining 29 sheets and have all 35 sheets installed this year at the skate park.

Motion passed 5-0-1, Lynn Goldman stepped out of the meeting prior to the vote

CIP

- Paperwork for the following projects were submitted to the CIP and handed out to the committee
 - Turf Field
 - Nashua Rd Field Expansion
- Mr. Senibaldi working on Spruce Pond packet and will be ready prior to the CIP meeting

COMMITTEE ELECTIONS

The committee held their annual elections. The following members were nominated and elected

Dennis Senibaldi	Chairman	5-0-1	Senibaldi abstaining
Tim Kelleher	Vice Chairman	5-0-1	Kelleher abstaining
Bill Brennan	Treasurer	6-0	
Open	Secretary		

The secretary position was declined by Mr. O’Neil. He felt that he couldn’t take notes and participate in the meetings as much as he wanted. The committee is looking into having someone outside of the committee take the minutes.

Smoking Policy

- Ms. Haas provided a draft Smoking Ban Policy for all Recreational Facilities
- Some members of the committee felt it may be difficult to ban at all facilities

Motion made by Tim Kelleher and seconded by Barry Goldman;

To amend smoking ban to incorporate all town recreational facilities

Motion passed 5-0

Facility Inspection Lists

- Everyone needs to submit their inspection list to Ms. Haas
- Short discussion about the list, content
- Tabled to next meeting

NEW BUSINESS

Woof Woof

- Belinda Sinclair is looking for a letter of recommendation from the committee regarding her work chasing the geese from Griffin Park
- She is starting a business with her dogs
- She had already contacted Ms Haas about this, and she will write the letter

August Meeting

A motion was made by Barry Goldman and seconded by Tim Kelleher;

To authorize the rescheduling of the August 2011 meeting (8/18) to another date due to scheduling conflicts of committee members.

Motion passed 4-1, Chris O'Neil voted against

Adjournment:

A motion was made by Barry Goldman at 9:19 pm to adjourn; seconded by Chris O'Neil ; passed 5-0

Respectfully Submitted,

Christopher M O'Neil
Outgoing Recreation Secretary