

## Wallingford Recreation Minutes

May 29, 2018

Meeting called to order at 7:44pm

In Attendance: Bastian Auer, Carolyn Behrendt, Tony Cirelli, Trisha Nash, Susan Taggart, Eileen Tessier

Agenda Additions/Deletions

Motion made by Eileen and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tony to add Michelle Kenny vote yes to the May 17<sup>th</sup> meeting minutes to reconsider lifeguards at Elfin Lake for the 2018 season.

Motion made by Eileen and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trisha to make additions to Agenda: Lifeguards at Elfin Lake and Recreation Committee regular meeting date.

All in favor

Motion made by Carolyn and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Eileen to accept May 8<sup>th</sup> minutes, all in favor.

Motion made by Tony and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Susan to accept May 17<sup>th</sup> minutes; all in favor

Recreation Committee – A regular meeting date was discussed. Tuesdays at 7:30pm was thought to be a good date for most; we will have to decide which Tuesday in the month, this will be discussed with members not present before making a final decision.

Summer Camp – The two Co-Directors, the lead counselor and the counselor/lifeguard have accepted the summer camp positions. There was discussion of reimbursement for lifeguard certification. This was offered as incentive for the new hires this year. Motion was made by Tony and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Susan to request Sandi put a want ad in the paper for lifeguards at the lake. We will decide how to proceed once we have reviewed the response of the ad.

Memorial Day Parade – The parade was great! We had good attendance and it was nice to see so many participating in the parade. The committee will explore the possibility of a different sound system and maybe a pop- up tent to cover the system in case of inclement weather. It is thought maybe floats would be a nice addition. We will also consider a sheriff to help at the end of the parade for an organized ending.

Elfin Lake – Bastian has dragged the beach and put out the ropes and buoys. The work done on the beach last year has held and there has been no erosion (good job Bastian). The dock will be put out in the next few days. The trees that were problems have been removed. All agree it would be nice to have the beach dragged more often. The possibility of purchasing or perhaps getting a donation for a riding lawn mower to do this every day has been mentioned. It was also discussed that Gary Wells of the Fire Department may be able to drag the beach. Trisha has spoken with Soreniety House and some of the residents are interested in volunteering to paint the swing set. We have new seats and they also will be installed. There is a refrigerator that works that is in the storage shed at the Ballfields that could be moved to the lake since there were some problems with the fridge last year at the lake.

Saturday June 9<sup>th</sup> at 9:00am is clean- up day at the lake and anyone interested in attending is more than welcome.

Recreation Director – The recreation committee strongly feels the need for a Recreational Director and will continue to pull together information to bring this item before the Selectboard and the people of Wallingford in the future. The town has been asked and has responded that more recreation is desired in town.

Basketball Court – Eileen will request that Sandi put out bids to make repairs on the basketball court. It has cracks and needs some attention.

Recreation Fields – Several ideas were discussed to make improvements at the fields. Netting to catch stray balls and security cameras to help deter damage to the tennis and basketball courts and buildings. There is question as to whether the water spigot works. If it doesn't what needs to be done and if it does how would we go about getting it back in regular use. Is there interest in an ice rink in the winter and do we need more fencing and parking?

The next meeting will be on June 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm and weather permitting at the Recreation Fields for a first-hand look and discussion of the needs and possibilities of use of this space.

Adjourned at 9:05pm

Approved: July 17, 2018