

**Town of Wallingford  
Recreation Committee Meeting  
Town Hall  
6:30PM – 4/12/22**

**Committee Members Present:**

Brian Ferguson  
Sumio Seo  
Jordan Jankus

**Guests in Attendance:**

Maria French – Wallingford Day Planning  
Jesse Williams – Clarendon Chipenhook Baseball

• **Organization and Schedule of Recreation Committee**

- The Committee members unanimously agreed that:
  - Brian Ferguson will be the Chairman of the Committee
  - Sumio Seo will be the Vice-Chairman of the Committee
  - Jordan Jankus will be the Clerk for the Committee.
  - The regular meetings of the Recreation Committee will be on the second Tuesday of each month; next meeting on 5/10/22 at 6:30PM

• **Agenda Additions:**

- Brian explained that the North Field for Little League Baseball needs additional clay materials to improve its condition. An estimate for the material is \$600 plus \$100 in trucking costs for a total project cost of \$700. Volunteers will be solicited to spread out the clay materials.
  - Brian made a motion to approve the purchase of the materials and trucking for \$700, Jordan seconded the motion, and the motion was unanimously approved by Committee members.
- Jesse Williams from Clarendon Chipenhook Baseball who uses our playing fields, is looking for equipment for the three teams being organized. He requested \$500 from the Town of Wallingford for the purchase of catcher gear and related equipment. They are in process of receiving corporate sponsorships and other donations for uniforms and other costs, including insurance.
  - Brian made a motion to approve the donation of \$500 to Clarendon Chipenhook Baseball for equipment purchases. Jordan seconded the motion, and the motion was unanimously approved by Committee members
- Best Practices for Recreation Committee
  - The Committee Members, who are all new in their positions, agreed that it would be helpful to meet soon with Sandi Switzer

and Juile Sharon so that we can better understand budgets under review by the committee and proper procedure for conducting the business of the Recreation Committee.

### **Scheduled Agenda Items:**

- Memorial Day Events – Parade
  - We had hoped that Mark Losoby from the American Legion would be in attendance so that we could understand how the Recreation Committee could provide assistance for the Memorial Day Parade.
    - Brian agreed to contact Mark and set up a conference call with Committee members so that we can better understand how we might be of assistance in making this another successful Memorial Day parade.
- Work Days – Ballfield and Elfin Lake Public Beach
  - Ballfield needs were noted earlier in these minutes.
  - Sumio and Jordan will visit the beach and the concession stand on 4/19/22 at 9:30AM just to get a sense of the scope of work needed there.
- Wallingford Day – Maria French, who is one of the volunteers for Wallingford Day, asked that since the Recreation Committee has been reconstituted, she hoped that our Committee would again be associated with their efforts and appoint a liaison from our Committee members to help collaborate with their volunteer group. Sumio offered to be the liaison. She mentioned that she hoped to update the Selectboard next week on plans for Wallingford Day and will also provide us an update soon thereafter.
- Movie Nights at Town Hall – Jordan proposed that Movie Nights with audience interaction could be a new attraction for the Town. The movies would be shown from 7PM to 8:30PM on the first and third Thursday of the month, from June to August and possibly beyond those months. No admission would be charged but Brian mentioned that there is a “Popcorn Club” at the Elementary school that might be interested in selling their wares at these events, with proceeds going back to school. Jordan will provide the necessary audio/visual equipment to show the movies at no cost to the Town. Volunteers would be helpful for these Movie Nights for setup and cleanup. The Movie Nights could be publicized in the Town newsletter and Front Porch Forum.

Brian made a motion to accept the concept of movie nights and Sumio seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously approved by Committee members.

- Brian mentioned that considering several upcoming activities - Memorial Day parade, beach and ballfield cleanup and other items, the Recreation Committee

may have to hold some work meetings prior to its next public meeting on Tuesday, May 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:30PM and this was agreeable with Jordan and Sumio.

- Brian made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Sumio seconded the motion, and all agreed to the motion. Meeting adjourned at approximately 7:40PM.

Minutes submitted by Jordan Jankus, Clerk for the Recreation Committee.