

## Wallingford Recreation Committee

### Minutes

March 9, 2023

Committee members present: Brian Ferguson, Sumio Seo & Shannon Pytlik

Members Missing: Raven

Public present: Mark Leseby

- Approve Agenda
  - Motion by David, seconded by Brian, to add the discussion of the bill for the damage to the porta potty to the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.
  - Motion by Shannon, seconded by Sumio, to add the lifeguard position posting to agenda. Motion carried unanimously.
- Approve Minutes 2/9/23 Motion by Brian, seconded by Shannon, to accept the minutes as written. Motion carried unanimously.
- Elect a chair
  - Motion by Shannon, seconded by Brian, to nominate Sumio as the chair. Motion carried unanimously.
  - Sumio was V Chair – so we should elect a new V Chair
  - Motion by Sumio, seconded by Shannon, to nominate David as vice chair. Motion carried unanimously.
- Public Comment – None
- Park Square – proposal from Lisa
  - We reviewed the video and all agree this looks like a neat thing to offer the community.
  - It does look like it would require a bit of space. We don't have much space over at the Meadow St Park.
  - We could have some outdoor rec options on the cement at Meadow St but there may not be enough space for this whole square.
  - We should consider this along with all of the other priorities in the Rec Survey. We will keep it in mind as we move forward and prioritize new initiatives.
  - We will let Rutland Rec know about this opportunity. They may have more space than we have to create something like this.
- Basketball - purchase update and installation planning
  - Sumio checked out the delivery and all of the parts are there.
  - We need to figure out how to install these. We would like to hire someone with the remaining funds from the donation.
  - We are also hoping there is enough money left in the donation to buy some padding for the polls.

- Questionnaire results & discussion
  - Ideas for upcoming recreation programs – the board reviewed the survey results. We will discuss more at future meetings.
  - The group authorized Shannon to start working on a few ideas that people offered to lead – like painting, pickle ball and also ballroom dancing which we likely need to pay for.
  - As a first step we would like to propose to the Selectboard that we purchase the outdoor lockable notice board. Something like this:
  - [https://www.amazon.com/Displays-Showboard-Noticeboard-Classroom-Commercial/dp/B07FGYGV7/ref=sr\\_1\\_12?crd=1GXXDQFURGX1D&keywords=exterior+notice+board&qid=1678651250&refinements=p\\_72%3A1248945011&rnid=1248943011&s=office-products&prefix=exterior+notice+board%2Caps%2C117&sr=1-12&ufe=app\\_do%3Aamzn1.fos.18ed3cb5-28d5-4975-8bc7-93deae8f9840](https://www.amazon.com/Displays-Showboard-Noticeboard-Classroom-Commercial/dp/B07FGYGV7/ref=sr_1_12?crd=1GXXDQFURGX1D&keywords=exterior+notice+board&qid=1678651250&refinements=p_72%3A1248945011&rnid=1248943011&s=office-products&prefix=exterior+notice+board%2Caps%2C117&sr=1-12&ufe=app_do%3Aamzn1.fos.18ed3cb5-28d5-4975-8bc7-93deae8f9840)
  - Field Clean Up Day – this was not scheduled.
  
- Baseball
  - Scholarships – No one has asked for a scholarship thus far.
  - Concession stand – Someone inquired about whether the concession stand could be open for baseball season. Shannon inquired with Sandi / Julie and they said it was run by parents as volunteers in the past.
  - We discussed opening this up to the public to solicit proposals if anyone wants to run it. There was concern that the Selectboard would want to see liability insurance for locals running the snack shack. We decided to ask the SB if we can offer this to the community to run the concession – maybe like Sandi does for music night offer it to nonprofits to run when they want.
  
- Memorial Day Parade
  - Issues last year:
    - Traffic – was not stopped in all locations.
    - line up – no one was in charge of lineup.
  - We reviewed the document titled *Wallingford Community Patriotic Parade and Ceremonies – Standard Operating Procedures* with Mark from the Wallingford American Legion.
  - The parade starts @ 10 with legion @ Family Dollar and everyone else forms behind them.
  - We discussed traffic control:
    - How do we confirm the police are coming – we should confirm with them directly. There was discussion that they were late last year and how to prevent this – and what to do if they don't know? We should get in touch with sheriff's office early in case they are short on officers - there are a lot of parades that day.
    - David will get a quote from Censor Security for traffic control.
    - Brian will inquire about help from the Wallingford Fire department help. They are in the parade but we should ask.
    - On the town website there is a Wallingford First constable – Robert Cook. Shannon will try to find his contact information and see if he can help us.
  - We would like preregistration – Brian will create a Wford Rec gmail account so we can create forms for registration. The groups we know of are:

- American Legion - Color Guard
- Alumni group
- Classic cars
- Band
- Fire dept
- Baseball
- Shriners
- Cemetery set up – there is a key for access to a power outlet, or we can bring a generator
  - Dan Garceau - bring the generator, chairs & podium
  - Tom Truex – bring PA
- After the parade – the band plays back to the small park and the Legion drops off the flag and the wreath at the small park by the Roaring Brook
 

The day of the parade - we should have a meeting at 9:30 with police officer and other traffic control to make sure we have a clear plan for who does what. Special attention must be paid to shutting down the road on the second time for the band to play back north.
- Elfin Lake Beach
  - Erosion Study update – Shannon updated the group on the presentation/ meeting for the beach erosion study. Evan Fitzgerald has done a great job of determining where the water is coming from and looking into alternatives for treating and slowing the water. There may be options to rework the entrance to the concession stand, which could help manage stormwater and flow of pedestrians. There will be a public meeting coming up to get public input to a few design alternatives.
  - Maintenance Update – nothing to report yet. We are working to get quotes for repairs to stone, windows and garage door.
- 5k course update
  - Conservation Commission agreed to have the 5k course on Stone Meadow.
  - Shannon will ask Sandi to add this to the SB agenda for approval.
- New Business
  - Porta Potty – Need to pay this invoice we don't see any alternative given the damage happened while we were using the equipment.
  - Lifeguard posting – We noticed the lifeguard posting is very generic and doesn't have anything to entice people to work here. We would like to update the posting with pay, reimburse for certification, may be extra income potential for swimming lessons, make fliers for Rutland High, tell Rutland guidance about the position, make a 1 page poster for lifeguard position, include hours and season in posting
- Next Meeting Agenda Building – 4/13/23 @ 5:30
  - Basketball Install
  - Spring Work Day
  - Concession Stand Planning
  - Memorial Day Parade
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- 7:30 Adjourn

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