

TOWN OF GOSHEN
RECREATION COMMISSION

REGULAR MEETING

Monday, March 15, 2021

Present: Don Patterson, Chairman; Sarah Leonard; Patrick Lucas; Erin Reilly; Nanci Howard; Garret Harlow;

Excused: Patrick Lucas

1 Call to order: 7:08 p.m.

2. Secretary's Report: In a **motion** made by Erin Reilly, seconded by Sarah Leonard, it was **voted** to approve the minutes of the meeting of February 22, 2021 as submitted. Voted unanimous.

3. Treasurer Report: While no formal report was available, *approximations* were submitted: \$50. For Senior Activity Bags; repairs were made on the tractor \$2065.00 (rebuild trans. & repair starter; \$300 for Easter eggs, candy, etc.; water for Camp Coch (Berkshire); fire alarm \$380; Tabled to next regular meeting of April 19, 2021. In a motion made by Garret Harlow, seconded by Nanci Howard, it was voted to accept the approximate costs were submitted from recent purchases. Vote unanimous.

4. Programming Reports:

a. Easter Egg Hunt: Will be held on Saturday, March 27th, 10:00 a.m. at Camp Coch; open to the public; same program format as in previous years; volunteers will be filling the eggs. Seven (7) have so far, signed up.

b. Poppy's Fishing Derby: Saturday, May 8, 2021 on the East Street North property; there will be food truck available. Trophies have been ordered. (Participants will be required to wear masks, social distancing.) Registrations will begin April 1st.

c. T-Ball: registrations will begin week of March 22nd. Fliers have been put up; Cost is \$10.00. Two (2) groups: Pre-K and Kindergarten; 1st grade and 2nd grade. Sponsor for shirts has been acquired.

d. Summer Concerts: The *Kerry Boys* have been booked for August; Bookings for June and July will be made.

e. Summer Camp: Pencil-in sign ups are being done in that inquiries are coming in. The Counselors, CITS are submitting applications. Further information will be forthcoming soon. **E-mail Blasts** for plans to move ahead will be out to the public, including fees, etc.

5. Old Business:

a. Garret Harlow will check on the history of water conditions at Camp Coch. Current tests came back within guidelines. No problems are anticipated. Mr. Harlow will check with Earle Tyler and Colleen Kinkade on what the Town should currently be doing for ongoing well checks.

b. Budget: The Commissioners discussed the upcoming budget. All of the Commissioners have read the letter from First Selectman, Bob Valentine. The Capital and Non-Recurring budget is due in early April to Discussion centered around the proposed "pavilion" and the "playground". It was noted that there are grants available for "playgrounds". Garret Harlow reported that reviewing the previous years' Capital budgets will provide an overview as to priorities moving forward.

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Previous years' Capital and Non-Recurring were briefly discussed. Nanci Howard will investigate the estate funds coming from a donor, that were in probate. Don Patterson will request actual copies of the last 5 years' Capital and Non-Recurring reports from the fiscal office. An accurate review will then be able to take place regarding such items as the pavilion, playground, shed, crack seal project, exterior painting at Camp, beach repairs, weed control, etc. Garret Harlow reported that the walkways at the rear of Camp Coch are in need drainage and some other work.

To discuss the Capital and Non-Recurring Report from previous years and last year, a Special Meeting of the Recreation Commission (zoom) will be held Monday, April 5, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

8. Other: On the last day of school, it has become standard practice for the 5th & 6th graders to have their graduation party. They always have used the land at the Camp near the lake. School staff and parent volunteers oversee these events.

Sarah Leonard reported that and Organized Soccer (UA) team has requested use of soccer fields, has had done in the past. These practices take place on Thursday evenings, at the end of April.

Don Patterson also reported having inquiries from Tri-Town Baseball in past years (home-schooled students) for use of the fields for their practice.

Home-Schooled students use the field on Thursdays. It is unknown if we have an "agreement" of any sort for their reserving the field for a particular time slot.

8. Adjournment:

In a **motion** made by Erin Reilly, seconded by Nanci Howard, it was **voted** to adjourn the meeting at 8:29 p.m. Voted unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Lucille A. Paige, Recording Secretary