

Town of Chaplin
Recreation Commission
Meeting Minutes
July 16, 2020
Meeting held by phone
on GoToMeeting and at
Edward Garrison Park

Attending: Dave Stone, Treasurer, Chris Blair, Secretary. Monica Arbo ,
Matt Foster, Russ Johndrow, Amelia Nelson, Brian Bombria

1. Call to order: 7:07 pm by Chris Blair
2. Audience for Citizens: Brian Bombria attending to discuss Disc Golf
3. Secretary's report: **Motion** to accept as presented by Monica and second by Matt. All in favor. Motion carried.
4. Treasurer's Report: New fiscal year begins. General Fund: \$15,888. Special Revenue Fund: \$7357.90. **Motion** to accept as presented by Amelia and second by Chris. All in favor. Motion carried.
5. Building and Field
 - a. Rock Garden: Dave informed members that large rocks were placed on the surrounding hills near pavilion and snack shed to prevent vehicles driving up onto field,
 - b. Gates to Upper lot: Several requests have been made to open the lower gate to make an easier access for the elderly, handicapped and others. The gate will remain opened and the commission will monitor the field to make sure no damage or vandalism occurs.
 - c. Landscaping/Tree trimming: Discussion about clean-up, adding mulch around trees and other areas. A quote from Shaper Edge for \$1100. was discussed. **Motion** made by Dave to accept the quote of \$1100. adding an additional \$400. to reinstall landscape fabric throughout park needing mulch. Second by Monica. All in favor. Motion carried.
 - d. Other: Port-a-potty owned by outside vendor has not been cleaned in over a year. Rec, Commission will have A & D portables clean both out buildings. Once cleaned, one owned by the outside vendor will be moved to the Town garage until

further notice. Dave will contact vendor to remove it and vendor will need to pay for the cleanup before it can be removed.

Disc Golf: Turf needs to be installed. Work day set for Thursday, July 23, at 5 pm to complete various projects for the course. **Motion** made by Dave to spend up to \$200 for any miscellaneous supplies needed to complete projects. Second by Amelia. All in favor. Motion carried.

Soccer- Russ indicated that he would like to have a U-19 regulation field at Garrison Park. Dave and Matt will walk the area to locate the pins from the previous field.

6. Activities:
 - a. Tag Sale: A flyer was created to advertise the tag sale. Some changes will need to be made. The date will be on Sept. 12 instead of Sept 19, \$25 will be charged for a 10 x 10 space only. No tables will be provided. Dave will create a registration form to put on the web site.
 - b. Farmers Market: Amelia will investigate how Willimantic and Scotland conduct their farmers market. She suggested having a special meeting so that this event can take place as soon as possible.
7. Sports: Amelia questioned whether the Rec. Commission would sponsor any programs when school opens. It was discussed that until more guidelines from the State is determined the RC would not consider any.
8. New Business: none
9. Old Business: Box Grader was purchased. The cost was lower than expected because we did not have to pay a delivery fee. In other business it was determined that a golf cart was an expense that was not needed.
10. Election of Officers:
 1. **Russ motioned** to accept the nomination of Dave Stone as Chairperson. Monica seconded. Motion carried. Dave resigned as Treasurer.
 2. **Monica motioned** to accept the nomination of Amelia Nelson as Vice-Chairperson. Dave seconded. Motion carried.
 3. **Dave motioned** to accept the nomination of Chris Blair as Secretary. Monica seconded. Motion carried.

4. **Chris motioned** to accept the nomination of Monica Arbo as Treasurer. Amelia seconded. Motion carried.
11. 2nd audience for Citizens: Brian Bombria suggested that the Rec. Commission solicit sponsors for each hole of the Disc Golf Course. At each hole a sign would indicate who is sponsoring it and give information about the sponsor. This will be discussed at the next meeting. Matt would like Brian to give a few lessons to the Rec members on how to play the course. Brian stated he would be happy to do it.
12. Adjournment: **Motion** to adjourn at 8:18 pm made by Monica. Second by Chris. All in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Chris Blair. Secretary