

**Chaplin Recreation Commission
Regular Meeting : 10/15/2020
Town Hall, 7 PM**

1. **Call to Order**: 7:02 pm Members present: Dave Stone, Amelia Nelson, Chris Blair, Monica Arbo, Russ Johndrow
2. **1st Audience for Citizens**: Anne Scilian (via phone): invited the Recreation Commission to help in planning the Town's Bicentennial Celebration.
3. **Secretaries Report** : Correction to September Minutes: Correct spelling of Russ' last name from Jendrow to Johndrow. No other corrections or additions. Amelia motioned to accept minutes as corrected. 2nd by Monica. All in favor. Motion carried.
4. **Treasurers Report** : Monica reported that there was \$15,256.07 in the General Fund as of 10/13/2020. The Special Revenue Fund was listed at \$ 7320.90 as of 9/30/2020.
5. **Building and Field**: A.) **Use of Field**: Amelia questioned if there was a policy in place for the use of the pavilion. There is a policy that only Town residents can reserve or use this. Concern was over conflict of more than one group using the pavilion at one time. It was suggested that the dates should be posted somewhere to avoid any problems. B) **Arboretum**: There will be a work session on October 24 at 8:00 am at Garrison Field to complete the planting followed by a dedication ceremony at 9am.
6. **Activities**: A.) **Halloween at the Park** – The idea to host a drive-through event for Halloween was discussed. It was decided to have one on October 31, 6-8 pm at the field for town residents. Town groups will be invited to set up displays throughout the park for that evening. Cars will be allowed to drive through the park to view the displays. Participants must remain in their cars. No candy will be handed out except from the Recreation Commission at the end of the drive. Photo opportunity will be available in the parking lot by photographer, Shannon Leigh. Covid -19 protocol will be followed for an outdoor event. Motion was made by Monica to spend up to \$2000, from Special Revenue Fund to purchase displays and other supplies. 2nd by Dave. All in favor. Motion passed.

B) Cornhole: Cancelled until further notice

7. Sports: A). Basketball- There will not be a league for boys and girls this year. There is a possibility that a program or clinic can be held at Chaplin Elementary School. The commission will continue to plan for one by looking for volunteers to run the program.

B). Soccer: The program is in full swing on Saturday mornings. 35 participants have signed up for this program.

8. New Business :

Fundraising: Dave brought up an idea to sell t-shirts or sweatshirts to raise money. Dave will come up with a design. Motion made by Dave to spend up to \$100 from Special Revenue to make up a sample shirt(s) . 2nd by Amelia. All in favor. Motions passed.

Membership: A discussion was held concerning members who have not attended numerous meetings. Dave will speak to these members to find out whether they want to continue on the commission.

2021 Meeting dates, time and place : Meetings will continue to be held on the third Thursday of the month starting at 7:00 pm.

9. Old Business: none

10. 2nd Audience for Citizens : none

11. Adjourn : 8:51 pm

**Respectively submitted,
Chris Blair, Secretary,**

