

Chaplin Recreation Commission

Regular Meeting Minutes 10/21/21

7:00pm Town Hall

Members present: Dave Stone, Amelia Nelson, Chris Blair, Clayton Coogan, and Penny Boomer. Audience attendees: Jan Roman, Tim Coulombe

1. Call to Order: by Chairman, Dave Stone at 7:02 pm
2. First Audience for Citizens: Mr. Roman, candidate for First Selectman, introduced himself. Mr. Coulombe addressed the Commission requesting that one of his children be allowed to play basketball in Windham this year. Request will be addressed during meeting under 7A.
3. Additions to Agenda: Building and Fields: 9C. Lighting at Garrison Field
4. Secretaries Report: Dave motioned that the minutes from 9/16/21 be accepted as presented. 2nd by Clayton. Motion carried 4-0-1
5. Treasurers Report: General Fund (as of 10/14/21): \$12,601.39; Special Revenue (as of 9/30/21): \$10,588.22
6. Bicentennial/Fireworks Discussion and Planning : After a brief discussion, it was decided that the members of the Commission meet with the Bicentennial Committee to find out from them any plans they might have and then firm up the schedule with them. Dave will contact them to find out when the next meeting will be.
7. Sports:
 - A. Basketball: Chris informed the Commission that the BB League would like all rosters to be turned in by Nov. 8th in order to begin scheduling games. It will be a 10 game season beginning Dec. 4. There is a mask mandate for all players, coaches, and spectators.

The Commission discussed Mr. Coulombe's request from the Audience for citizens. After questions from the Commission and clarification on the rule for players, a motion was made by Dave Stone with a 2nd by Clayton to deny Mr. Coulombe's request for his child to play basketball in Windham. Motion carried. 5-0-0.

Dave motioned that the Commission spend up to \$500. For the basketball program for equipment. 2nd by Amelia. Motion carried 5-0-0

B. Soccer: Coach Melissa sent information on an indoor clinic to be held on Jan 9, 16, 23, 30, Feb. 6 and the 13th. After discussion, it was decided that the commission needed more information before a vote could be made. Penny or Amelia will speak with Melissa to get additional information.

Dave motioned to spend up to \$200. For soccer balls and goals for the soccer program. 2nd by Chris. Motion carried, 5-0-0

C. Disc Golf: A tournament will be held the Weekend of October 24th at Garrison Field. No other discussion.

8. Activities

A. Halloween at the Park: Monica is in charge of the program. She will contact the other members to let them know when she will begin to set up. Penny and Monica will buy candy for that night. The Fire Dept. has indicated that they will help on that night. It was suggested that a promotional flyer be sent home through school to help advertise this event.

B. Cornhole: The Fall League involving 12 teams is continuing to do well. The Commission would like to continue with another session during the winter. Indoor locations were suggested such as Chaplin Elem. School, Senior Ctr. or the Fire Dept.

C. Rec Logo: tabled

9. Building and Field

A. Fence between park and Hubbard Sanctuary: Fence is not completed yet but the Commission will have a work day to continue to install it.

B. Playscape Phase 2: *Play-scape installation is completed but the invoice has not yet been received. New wood chips have been spread. Depending on the balance of the project, more wood chips could be purchased.*

C. Lighting in the Park: *Dave discussed the plan for installing additional lights at the field. Donations of materials and installation was discussed. The Commission will need to pay for the cost of wire to install lights.*

10. Second Audience for Citizens : none

11. Adjourn : motion by Dave to adjourn at 8:35 pm. 2nd by Penny. Motion carried: 5-0-0

Respectfully submitted,

Chris Blair, Secretary