

Parks and Recreation Minutes

April 20th, 2023 6:30 PM

Board of Selectman Room

Seekonk Town Hall 100 Peck Street Seekonk, Ma. 02771

- Open Meeting – 6:33p
- Approval of March 2023 Minutes – unavailable at time of meeting due to illness.
- League Discussions (Please keep within reasonable time limits)
 - Basketball – They received approval from high school to use parking lot for younger age clinics instead of renting indoor court. Also received approval to chain adjustable hoops to fence at the high school. Discussed funds received from sponsorships to help pay costs and requested funds to assist with purchase of adjustable hoops & chains for summer program. Committee voted unanimously to recommend P&R Director seek approval for this support. Also requested Basketball President provide backup for proof of cost.
 - No other leagues present.
- Community Discussion (Please keep within reasonable time limits)
 - Warrant Article removed from town meeting – 50 pg document to be distributed to the committee.
- Chairman’s Report
 - CPC voted against purchase of land at corner of Chestnut/Hammond
- Coordinator’s Report
 - By Law review—Committee roles
 - Brittny – raised concerns over committee member writing open letter to The Reporter. Points of concern were addressed. Suggestion made for liaison to the Selectmen physically attend P&R Meeting.
 - Spending since last meeting – Approval received to help SYL purchase backstop netting/poles). P&R donated \$2170.

- New Business
 - Stacy's asked when her commitment ends due to conflicting responsibilities. Will finish tenure if it is June but may need to step down if it's longer. To be researched.
 - Donation process needs to be followed if for equipment P&R would be responsible for maintaining (i.e., fryolator).
 - Jim recommended that only league presidents (or an authorized representative if absent...i.e. VP) be allowed to speak at future meetings. The committee unanimously agreed.

- Old Business
 - Cole Street - Discussed softball issues again and the value of raising fence and safety nets in any other location than toward Cole St on Field 2. Bigger issues are poor drainage (Fields 1 & 3 have major flooding), fields aren't level and sit low, donated materials dropped off last April (@DPW) require approval and did not follow the Donation Process properly.

 - Bird Control

- Budget Discussion
 - Updated numbers – Brittany presented YTD figures and will email full budget to the committee members. Will provide three times per year going forward.

- Next Meeting May 18, 2023 6:30 PM

- Close Meeting – 9:00p