

Recreation Commission: June 13, 2023

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Minutes Approved: June 22, 2023

Meeting began at 7:00pm

Recreation Commission: Scott Jamison, Drew McMorrow, Courtney Bittelari, Sarah Wengert

Minutes: Holly Mansfield

Mosquito: Sarah Hart

Agenda Topics:

1. Public Comments

- i. A parent in the Carlisle Public School system is looking to propose a pilot program for summer fun as well as an exception for her child to attend the program. At the time of the request, the summer fun program had a waitlist for all 6 weeks of the program. This parent is looking to register her child for 3 half days for the 4 weeks that overlap with the CPS summer school program.
- ii. Currently, there is a waitlist for 3 of the 4 requested summer fun weeks. An opening did become available in Week 4 of the summer fun program. This child will participate in the program with a paraprofessional. The paraprofessional will be funded by CPS.
- iii. The parent is requesting that an exception be made to allow her child to attend the requested weeks.
- iv. RecCom discussed how making an exception to move this child up on the waitlist may create some concerns with families currently on the waitlist.
- v. RecCom also wondered how many other families may request a space in the program and what might the volume of interest be in the future.
- vi. Looking ahead, RecCom will work with the school to consider a plan to reserve spaces in the summer fun program for children with special circumstances.
- vii. A meeting is scheduled for Tuesday at 9:00am to vote on the Special Inclusion Program Request for summer 2023.

2. Correspondence:

- a. None

3. Review of 4/24/23 Meeting Minutes

- a. *Motion: Courtney made the motion to accept the April 24, 2023, meeting minutes. Sarah seconded. All in favor: Yes*

4. Summer Fun

- a. See Public Comments
- b. Scott discussed the idea of a Splash Pad on Spalding Field. A Splash Pad would allow a safe place for families to cool off in the summer.
 - i. Scott will look into the expense and logistics of building a Splash Pad on Spalding Field

5. Field Status/Update

- a. Nothing new to report

6. Maintenance Items

- a. The rebound wall on Spalding Field has been repaired and painted.
- b. The climbing wall on the Banta Davis playground has been repaired.

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- c. Replacement parts for the bridge at Diment Park have been ordered and will be repaired in the upcoming weeks.
 - d. Woodchips for Diment Park will be ordered. RecCom will seek volunteers to help spread the bark mulch.
 - e. The windows in the Brick Building will be replaced in August.
7. Boardwalk
- a. Scott walked the boardwalk and commented that a full repair is not needed. ReCom will order a small supply of replacement boards and handrails.
 - b. The trails committee will replace the boards and handrails as needed.
8. Diment Park Subcommittee
- a. Sarah contacted the residents that expressed an interest in Diment Park. The sub-committee will consist of 5 members. Two RecCom members and three residents. Courtney agreed to work with Sarah on Diment Park.
 - b. *Motion: Sarah made the motion to create a subcommittee for Diment Park consisting of 5 members. Drew seconded the motion. All in favor: Yes*
9. Dog Park
- a. Dave and Courtney attended the Planning Board meeting on Monday, June 12th to review the changes suggested by the Stanton Foundation
 - b. The Planning Board supports the revised plan for the Banta Davis dog park.
 - c. Dave and Holly will attend the Land Use meeting on Wednesday, June 14th to present the revised dog park plans.
 - d. The next step is to review the rules of the dog park. Courtney will add this to the agenda for the next meeting. Courtney will send a draft copy of the proposed rules to the Dog Officer, Planning Board, Board of Health, and Town Counsel.
 - e. Once we have approval from all boards, Ryan will prepare the bid documents for the dog park. The Stanton Foundation will then review the bid documents before going out to bid in the fall.
10. Other
- a. Drew announced that after the fall Town Meeting, he plans to resign from the Recreation Commission. RecCom will be looking for a new member to take Drew's place on the board.
 - b. Recreation Van: The Carlisle school is interested in acquiring the Recreation van. Holly is working with Ryan to complete the necessary steps to transfer ownership of the van to CPS.
 - c. Sprinkler Valves on Spalding Field have been replaced.

Meeting Adjournment:

Motion: Drew made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:55pm. Courtney seconded. All in favor: Yes

Next meeting: Tuesday, July 11, 2023, at 7:00pm in the Brick Building