

Approved Waterbury Recreation Committee Meeting Minutes for 3/8/17

Members present: Phoebe Pelkey, Paul Lawson, Don Schneider, Diane Gildea, Barb Blauvelt, Eric Weeber, Deb Fowler, Herschell Murry

Absent: Bill Minter, Frank Spaulding, Tami Bass (on leave)

1. Note taker: Eric Weeber Timekeeper: Diane Gildea
Summarizer (Clarifies discussions/decisions): Herschell Murry -5 min.
2. Adopt Meeting Agenda: -5 min.
 - A. Motion to Adopt: Diane Gildea
 - B. 2ND: Herschell Murry
 - C. Discussion: D. Vote: Passes
3. Adopt Meeting Minutes from February 8TH, 2017: -5 min.
 - A. Motion to Adopt: Phoebe Pelkey
 - B. 2ND: Paul Lawson
 - C. Discussion: D. Vote: Passes
4. Recreation Director Report- Deb Fowler: -30 min. 6:52
 - [Revised Field & Pool User Fees](#)
 - Going live March 3RD will be our new **online registration** system! This will streamline the whole process of registering for programs or reserving a field or facility, as well as cutting down on the paperwork. You will still not be fully registered in a program or totally reserved for a field/ facility until the Town has received payment either by mail or in the office. Once payment has been received, you will be notified by email. With programs that have a limit to the amount of people in the program, the number is counted down and you will be put on a waiting list if the program fills. If payment is not received for the program, then your reservation will be lost and the first person on the waitlist will be informed that they may join the program if they still want to. To be able to use the system, you have to create an account that will be used for the whole household. This will only need to be done once. Starting March 7TH, you will be able to see the programs that will be available this summer as well as programs we have going right now. You will only be able to create your account and sign up for a couple of programs that are running right now at present. However mark this date, Town

Meeting day **MARCH 7, 2017** all summer programs, including day camp, will open for registration. I will be at Town Meeting with a table set up if you have questions. To get to the on-line registration, go to the Town website at www.waterburyvt.com and click on the Recreation Tab. This will direct you to the registration page.

- We will have weeklong specialty Middle School camps offered for 7 weeks this summer that will be housed out of the Waterbury Armory. Each week will have a theme that will be worked on for the week and will be open to 30 kids that have finished grades 6 through 8. Make sure to check out the new website tomorrow to see what programs are offered and the cost. I am really excited about this as there is a little something for everyone being offered.
- Signups for swim lessons as well as the chance to get your pool membership starts on **MARCH 7** . One thing we will be doing different this year is we are not assigning times until May 1st. You will choose your top 3 times and let us know the level your child is in. On May 1, we will set the times as best we can to what has been requested. **IF YOUR CHILD IS IN DAY CAMP THEY WILL BE ASSIGNED THE DAY CAMP SWIM LESSON TIME WHICH IS NOT ONE OF THE SELECTIONS.** If you are unsure what level your child should be in feel free to send me an email or see Heather or I at Town Meeting to discuss this.
- We will be having 3 pool parties this year. Information on 2 of them will be on the new website tomorrow.
- **DAY CAMP REGISTRATION BEGINS MARCH 7TH. THERE IS ONLY SPACE FOR 80 CAMPERS AND IT WILL BE ON A FIRST COME FIRST SERVE BASIS.** Camp has gone up \$50 for both Resident and Non-Residents for the 8 weeks making it \$600or \$650 per camper. \$50 deposit via check is due within 10 days and all balances need to be paid in full by June 2ND.
- Select Board rubber stamped approval for the new user and field fees.
- Young Rembrandts still has space available in it. This is a once a week after school art program starting March 8th at the Town Library. Your

child does not have to be an artist in any way. They only need to have an interest in learning to draw.

- There is also space left in our April Vacation camp. The fun being had by our campers this week should really be shared.
- The Town has budgeted \$25,000 for a new playground at Anderson Park; \$15K for structures and \$10K for groundwork.
- Deb and Heather have attended a swimming lifeguard seminar and passed, so they are both now certified to certify lifeguards. 1ST classes will be offered last weekend in April and the 1ST weekend in May.
- We had 8 kids for the Winter Camp; 5 kids were new to our programs and 4/5 of those new children are now signed up for the Summer Camp.
- Lunch Program will continue this summer at the Senior Center.
- Last I cannot stress enough the importance of checking out the new Recreation page on the Town website. I have only touched on the new programs being offered there truly is stuff coming for everyone and programs are going to be added regularly. Again you can find it at www.waterburyvt.com under the Recreation Tab starting March 3RD.

5. Governance Document Update: -10 min. 7:22

- Governance document was presented to the SB and will report back at April meeting.

6. Upcoming Dates of interest: -5 min.

- Adult Co-ed Volleyball on Mondays 7:15-9:15 October to May. \$15 per season.
- All paid up \$120 - folks still joining up..
- See Recreation opportunities at: <https://www.waterburyvt.com/departments/recreation/> for full calendar of events.

7. Pending items: -5 min.

- Concept to have notes taken by objective third party, non Recreation Committee member
- Deb will present Recreation budget

- Begin the process of long range planning.
- Update on Summer Rec scholarship from Winterfest
- List of Waterbury Recreation assets
- List of recreation organizations

8. New business and agenda items for next meeting on 4/12/17: -5 min.

- Relationship of the Recreation Committee, special sub committees and sub committees, to the Town.
- Winterfest Committee report.
- FORWARD presentation?
- Deb: Presentation of new software, MyRec, at the Library for next meeting.

Paul Lawson motions to adjourn

Herschell Murry seconds

Passes

Meeting officially adjourned at: 8:00 PM