

# Chichester Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting

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Minutes 6/19/19

Present: Zack Boyajian [Chair], Ansel Sanborn [Secretary], Jon White, Ewen MacKinnon, Robyn Eldredge, Chris Baines

Absent: Tom Jameson, Joe Montambault

Public: Heather White

1] Zack called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM at the pavilion at Carpenter Park. Scheduling conflicts had delayed the normal meeting date for one week. Zack called the roll of the Parks and Recreation Commission (PRC) members.

2] After review, a MOTION to approve the minutes of 5/8/19 was made by Robyn and seconded by Jon. The MOTION passed with all in favor.

3] Robyn led a discussion of the playground project. The playground structure, border, and play surface are complete and open for play. The remaining \$1300. in donated funds held by the Chichester Youth Association (CYA) should be used to prepare recognition stickers for donors, to perform final landscaping around the playground and trail, and to reimburse volunteers for the fuel costs of their equipment.

4] Jon led a discussion of the basketball court improvements. The new backboards and rims are being assembled. The net donated by CYA and installed on the uphill side fencing of the court is working well in keeping basketballs on the court.

Additional work on the uphill side of the court is planned for this year once the poison ivy (F N Toxicodendron Radicans) can be controlled. Ewen made a MOTION seconded by Jon to spend up to \$300. for spraying of the poison ivy. All in favor, the MOTION passed. Zack will contact a statewide contractor as well as other firms for bids.

5] Two requests for park usage were approved:

Melinda Weir requested use of the pavilion and park area for a Girl Scout sleepover on July 16.

A youth soccer camp will use the pavilion and fields the week of July 22 to 26.

An ongoing issue with scheduling the park is keeping the on line park use calendar updated. Zack will bring this issue to an upcoming Board of Selectmen's (BOS) meeting.

6] Robyn reported that roof shingles and installation had been donated to replace the roof on one lower field dugout.

7] Heather provided an update on the plans for the August 16, 17 Old Home Day. Though the Fire Department will not be selling food, there will be a food vendor. A pig roast and bean hole beans are planned. A band will provide live music on Saturday night.

8] Zack provided other updates:

Central New Hampshire Regional Planning Commission (CNHRPC) is updating Chichester's Master Plan. PRC has provided our current Recreation Master Plan to them. Zack encouraged everyone to complete the online survey.

CNHRPC has drafted a report on the Suncook Valley trail initiative. Zack recommended that PRC members review the draft and consider ties to existing and possible Chichester trails. The former Barbara Frangione property has been sold and the new owner is considering putting the fields into a conservation easement with a reserved trail easement through the property.

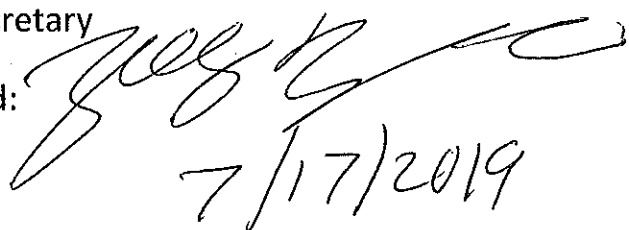
9] After discussion of member availability, PRC agreed to change the July meeting from July 10 to July 17 at the Carpenter Park pavilion.

10] At 7:25 PM, a MOTION to adjourn was made by Ewen and seconded by Jon. The MOTION passed with all in favor.

Respectfully Submitted, Ansel Sanborn, Secretary

Not Approved Until Signed

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