

Chichester Parks and Recreation Commission

Minutes 7/17/19 Meeting

Present: Zack Boyajian [Chair], Tom Jameson [Vice Chair], Ansel Sanborn [Secretary], Jon White, Chris Baines

Absent: Robyn Eldredge, Ewen MacKinnon, Joe Montambault

Public: Kevin Gagne

The meeting came to order at 6:35 P.M. at the pavilion at Carpenter Park.

1] Zack called the roll of Parks and Recreation Commission (PRC) members. Based on input from the PRC members at the 6/19/19 meeting, the July meeting date had changed from 7/10/19 to 7/17/19.

2] After review, a MOTION to approve the minutes of 6/19/19 was made by Jon and seconded by Tom. The MOTION passed with all in favor.

3] Kevin Gagne, Chichester resident and board member of the Trail Dogs snowmobile club, discussed the club's proposal to relocate the snowmobile trail through the section of Carpenter Park surrounding the Highway Department. The proposed relocation would improve the connection of a major trail system connecting to Pittsfield but would require a bridge for a stream/ wetland crossing. Kevin felt that the improvement would make the trail suitable for year round use. The club has materials, equipment, and labor to construct the new section.

After discussion, PRC asked that Kevin mark the proposed trail and prepare photos for the August meeting. Zack will discuss possible wetland issues with the State Division of Environmental Services.

4] Regarding the issue of poison ivy removal around the basketball court, Zack found out that there was no statewide contract for poison ivy removal. He then contacted two private contractors who did not respond with estimates for the work. Jon volunteered to contact additional firms to address the poison ivy issue.

5] The work to install new backboards, rims, and nets on the basketball court was completed by Nick Wood and Jon. Jon noted increasing usage of the court. Zack mentioned that expansion of the basketball court was included as a future project in the PRC portion of the Capital Improvement Plan.

6] Two specific areas of the park were discussed:

a) The condition of the stone lining and metal cover of the bean hole area need to be addressed. This will be coordinated with the Old Home Day Committee.

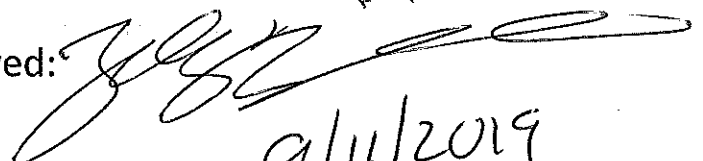
b) Access to the park from the parking lot is too wide open. Tom and Zack will investigate ways of limiting vehicle access.

7] At 7:35 PM, a MOTION to adjourn was made by Ansel and seconded by Tom. The MOTION passed with all in favor.

Respectfully Submitted, Ansel Sanborn, Secretary

Not Approved Until Signed

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