

Chichester Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting

Minutes 6/10/2020

Present: Zack Boyajian [Chair], Tom Jameson [Vice Chair], Ansel Sanborn [Secretary], Robyn Eldredge, Ewen MacKinnon, Jon White

Absent: Chris Baines

Public: Mark Thomas, Stacy Boyden

1] Zack called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM at Carpenter Park and called the roll of the Parks and Recreation Commission (PRC) members. Zack explained that the Board of Selectmen (BOS) had approved an outside, socially distanced meeting with no more than ten attendees.

2] After review, a MOTION to approve the minutes of 5/13/20 was made by Robyn and seconded by Tom. The MOTION passed with all in favor and Zack approved and signed the minutes.

3] Stacy Boyden, Athletic Director at Chichester Central School (CCS) and Director of Operations for Plex Softball Club, discussed restoring a softball program at CCS. Her approach may include hosting clinics at Carpenter Park in the summer.

Stacey also requested use of the lower field on Sunday, Tuesday and Thursday for practice by the Plex Softball Club. PRC supported both requests.

4] Robyn stated that the Caramba soccer camp will be held in August.

5] Jon will update the Recreation Calendar and work with Jodi to provide a link on the Chichester Home Page. Three events to be posted were Plex Softball, Caramba Soccer Camp, and an August Correa family event.

6] Mark Thomas and Ewen reported on their review of a possible middle school cross country course at Carpenter Park. The course would be two miles long and a minimum of six feet wide. Mark will lay out the trail for review at the July 8 meeting. Subject to field review, PRC supported the course effort.

7] Thanks were given to:

Mark Thomas who sealed the basketball court surface and will paint basketball and pickleball lines.

Jeff Lebreton for providing “carry in/ carry out” signs which Zack installed at several park locations.

8] Zack will raise two issues at the Board of Selectmen’s (BOS) meeting:

Installing rain gutters on the community building and addressing the roof vent

Controlling ATV use on park trails near the Highway Department.

9] Zack asked PRC members to review the Recreation Facilities chapter of the draft Master Plan for discussion at the July meeting.

Zack asked that volunteers from PRC and Chichester Youth Association (CYA) continue the watering of the new grass near the playground.

At 7:40 PM, a MOTION to adjourn was made by Ewen and seconded by Tom. The MOTION passed with all in favor.

Respectfully Submitted, Ansel Sanborn, Secretary

Not Approved Until Signed Approved: