



Town of Weare Parks and Recreation

*Meeting Minute
December 12, 2006*

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:15pm

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Joe Fiala, Valerie King, Chuck Metcalf, John Nikkais, and Gene Propper

SENIOR CITIZEN UPDATE (with Dot O'Neil):

- The Happy Wearites has held 19 events this year (10 bagged lunches, 3 pot lucks, 3 lunches out-of-town and 3 lunches in-town)
- Discussion regarding the group obtaining field purchase orders to provide "Senior Services". The group is interested in receiving payment before rather than after the event occurs (as had been done in previous years where the group received 1/12 of the line item each month). There may be a way to provide funds in advance for making specified purchases. It was suggested that the group speak to Heleen Kurk regarding the town's legal limitations on providing funds in advance.
- The Senior luncheon sponsored by the Boy Scouts has been moved to January 27th at 11:30am. The event will be held at the Holy Cross Church. RSVP to Karen Metcalf or David Roy.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

- Naomi Bolton
 - Bolton Field was recently vandalized (vehicles dug up the fields). To prevent further damage, Naomi has volunteered to put a notice on the entrance gate and unlock (7am) and relock (4pm) the gate every day. A notice will also be posted on cable. The gates will be locked for the winter beginning January 1st.
 - To prevent future vandalism, Naomi has also suggested that the local clubs get together to erect fencing (i.e. the fencing donated by the airport and currently being stored at Bolton) around the parameter of the field.
 - Naomi also offered to assist with a LWCF grant application and suggested that funds be sought for tennis court repairs (since we have estimates for this project). A letter of intent is due by December 20th. Valerie will follow-up with Naomi.
- Steve Najjar
 - Would like more access (preferably no restrictions) to the lake. Current access limitations do not coincide with optimal fishing hours or seasons.
 - Opposed to \$30/day launching fee for out-of-towners. Would like to see something more equitable.
 - Contact at Fish and Game who deals with lake access (Richard Trisco?) indicated that Fish and Game would be willing take control of lake access (parking and boat launch) with a 30 year lease.
 - Suggested increasing recording of boats entering the lake (tracking date/time and number of boats checked for Milfoil, recording location of where boats were last launched) and providing education to boaters regarding Milfoil (i.e. via the NH Lake Association's Lake Host Program.
 - Pointed out that there isn't a clear definition of a "resident" and suggested this be added to PARC policy.

REVIEW OF MINUTES:

Chuck moved to accept the minutes for the November 14th, 2006 meeting. Gene seconded the motion. 1-abstention (Joe). All others approved. Motion carried.

CHASE PARK:

- Decision made to offer the head gatekeeper position to Kathy Robichaud (salary pending finalized budget). Discussion regarding the possibility of including some Director duties under this position until a Director is hired.

BOLTON FILED DEVELOPMENT:

- 3 companies attended the walk-through (2 design companies and 2 site-work company) for the Bolton Field design RFP. Bids will be opened on December 15th at 9am.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Ramp issue and extending park hours will be discussed at the January meeting (after the budget is finalized and PARC knows that it has to spend).
- Primex has stated that the wooden sign at the park is “unsafe”. John and Gene have checked the condition of the sign, and it appears solid and safe. Will recheck when they return to work on the dock in the spring.
- The sinkhole has returned at Bolton Fiedl. Carl (Highway Department) is aware of the problem and will be looking into it.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Someone was told that the BOS received a check for \$5,000 from the insurance company for the lights that had fallen down at the tennis courts. Members of the Committee expressed concern that PARC was not notified of this money and felt the funds should be put back into the PARC budget. Joe will check to see if any money has been received.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 9:52pm.