

Willington Parks & Recreation Commission

Meeting Minutes

Regular Meeting
December 17th, 2018

Attending Members: Joe Colangelo, Mike Pinatti, Ed Taiman, Rocco Petrella and Katie St. Germain

Attending Non-Members: Maureen Parsell was in attendance.

Meeting called to order at 7:03 p.m.

I. Approval of Minutes:

Minutes from October 29th were approved.

II. General Discussion:

No general discussion at this time.

III. Director's Report:

1. Discussed proposed requests for CIP budget:
 - Field lighting @ River Road Complex; to be completed in phases starting with basketball court, playground & new pickleball court, set up on timers or possibly coin-op to save on operating costs.
 - Removing volleyball court & replacing with two pickleball courts
2. Upcoming projects to be considered:
 - New volleyball system: In the process of obtaining quotes
 - Dock for Hall's Pond
 - Overseeding fields at RRAC and TOB
 - Cleaning up lily pads at Hall's Pond as they are creeping into the swim area.
 - Container Storage at Hall's Pond: further research needed. Organize community art project with local students & artists to paint possible mural on container.
3. Discussion was held to hire a Recreation Assistant to assist with fundraising, administrative tasks, Willington Wire, etc.
4. Update given on another successful Community Tree Lighting event and the Tree/Wreath giveaway.
5. Fundraisers: Discussed ideas which included 3v3 basketball tournament possibly paired with Wednesday night concert series (1st to be held this summer).
6. Willington Wire – Articles were due on December 3rd. To be sent out via Public Notice on January 7th.
7. Fall Basketball season is underway; a gym supervisor was hired to be in the gym to cover every youth and high school game.
8. The next Yoga session will be held in the Library beginning February 6th
9. Tai Chi will begin on January 2nd at the Old Town Hall

10. WPRDs new Hiking Club started on November 25th with weekly, local hikes lead by Frederick Peck.
11. Ice Skating at Bolton Ice Palace – all residents can skate during public skate hours and skate rental is free.
12. Babysitter Training Courses will be held in April.

IV. Old Business:

1. WPRC members reviewed the 4 fields and waterfront. Discussion was held on maintenance projects to start in the spring.

V. New Business:

1. Budget review discussed for Fiscal Year 2019/2020

VI. Adjournment:

1. Joe Colangelo motioned to adjourn which was seconded by Ed Taiman. The meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, January 28th, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Hall Office Building.

Respectfully submitted 12/19/2018

Katherine St. Germain