MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
RECREATION COMMITTEE
LISBON TOWN HALL
MONDAY, AUGUST 15, 2022
8:00 P.M.

1. Call to Order: The regular meeting of the Recreation Committee was called to order by Christopher Fabry, Vice-Chairman at 8:04 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Christopher Fabry, Robert Rhoades, Meagan Sikorsky, Juliana DeWilde, Andrew Lagace

MEMBERS ABSENT: Kyle Gleason, Thomas Restivo, Jhady Jaffe

OTHERS: Max Gray, LCS Student Ambassador, Nancy Smigiel (remote)

2. Reading of previous minutes - Motion made by A. Legace second by R. Rhoades to accept the previous Regular Meeting minutes of July 18, 2022 as presented.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED

3. Correspondence

- a. Email, from R. Rhoades to L. Key, E. Joseph, T. Restivo dated 8/11/2022, re: Jordan Brook Lawncare & Gardening, LLC pesticide and fertilizer applications at Lisbon Meadows Park
- b. Catalogs, from various equipment companies

4. Bills and action thereon

- a. Jordan Brook Lawn Care, \$630.00, invoice dated 8/9/2022, re: fertilizer application 3 to LMP soccer and baseball fields. PAID noted for the record.
- b. Jordan Brook Lawn Care, \$240.00, invoice dated 8/9/2022, re: fertilizer application 3 to Lisbon Central School softball field. PAID noted for the record.
- c. Jordan Brook Lawn Care, \$225.00, invoice dated 6/21/22, re: fertilizer application 2 to Lisbon Central School softball field. This invoice should have been prepaid. R. Rhoades has contacted them regarding this but has not heard back yet.

5. Old Business

a. LMP - Soccer Field - R. Rhoades spoke with Johnathan Sparkman regarding the condition of the soccer field. The field is currently off limits for organized sports until the grass has time to come back due to the current drought conditions.

b. Programs

i. Director Approvals – N. Smigiel indicated that she would like to continue on in the capacity of Program Director of the Tuesday night volleyball program. She has submitted an email request to the Lisbon Central School to use the facility starting mid-September. She noted that in 2020 the league consisted of 18 teams. Motion made by R. Rhoades second by M. Sikorsky to approve N. Smigiel as Program Director of the Tuesday night volleyball women's league.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED

R. Rhoades indicated that he would like to continue on in the capacity of Program Director of the Thursday evening volleyball program starting the first week in September. He has contacted he school to reserve the space and is waiting to hear back from them as the request needs to be approved by the new principal. Motion made by A. Lagace second by M. Sikorsky to approve R. Rhoades as Program Director of the Thursday evening volleyball program.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED

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Vice-Chairman Fabry noted that both he and A. Lagace would like to continue to run the Monday and Wednesday basketball programs. Motion made by J. DeWilde second by M. Sikorsky to approve C. Fabry and A. Lagace as program Directors of the Monday and Wednesday basketball programs.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED

- c. Social Media Site Updates no updates
- d. Community Liaison
 - i. Fall Festival J. DeWilde attended the Fall Festival Committee meeting and volunteered that the Recreation Committee is interested in helping in some capacity. She suggested activities such as face painting, rock painting, disc golf and a bounce house. R. Rhoades indicated that he would be interested in organizing the disc golf tournament. J. DeWilde will research the other options further and bring more information and cost estimates to the September meeting.
 - ii. Food Trucks R. Rhoades had a conversation with M. Murphy, C. Brown, the Uncas Health District and the fire chief regarding the regulations around having food trucks at town events. The town charter currently allows one food truck by the Community Center. It would need to be modified to include more than one and in the parking area of the LMP. It is his understanding that this would need to go before the Zoning Board for a vote on the change.
- e. Bus Trips M. Sikorsky will continue to work with J. Jaffe to put a poll on the website to gauge where the interest is. J. DeWilde indicated that she would be interested in organizing the trips that the group decides upon.
- f. Committee Calendar
 - i. The cross country trails will need to be cleaned up. R. Rhoades will contact the new principal to try to schedule a "clean up day" with the students. Vice-chairman Fabry will also reach out to Chad Johnson to get more information regarding cleaning up the trails.
 - ii. R. Rhoades will conduct a first aid kit inventory to determine if more supplies will need to be ordered.
 - iii. J. DeWilde mentioned that at the Lisbon Central School near the playground there is a memorial bench overlooking a dead tree stump. Vice-chairman Fabry will look into getting this cleaned up.

6. New Business

a. Parks Grant – Vice chairman Fabry discussed with the group that there is money left over from the COVID funds for municipal park and outdoor improvements. Items that could be considered for the grant application are the Jim Arico proposal for the softball/baseball fields, resurfacing and fixing the hoops for the outdoor basketball court, improvements to the indoor basketball court, a dog park, a playground at LMP, etc. M. Gray suggested a working scoreboard on the baseball field. R. Rhoades indicated that he would be willing to coordinate with the group and compose the grant application.

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- 7. Any other business which may properly come before the Commission
 - a. The "Rules and Regulations" sign that was posted on the fence at the track has been stolen. Vice-chairman Fabry will contact Prokop signs for a replacement. A motion was made by R. Rhoades second by M. Sikorsky to approve funds of up to \$500.00 for the sign by the track and a replacement sign.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED

- b. LMP The bridge by the parking area with the support rail cut out has been patched by the town crew. The town crew also trimmed vegetation on the disc golf course.
- c. Because of the recent incidents, the committee may want to look into security cameras for strategic areas of the park. Cameras such as Ring or Nest (solar) may be suitable. R. Rhoades will research the options.
- 8. Adjournment Motion by R. Rhoades second by A. Legace to adjourn at 8:56 p.m.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED

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Karen Arremony, clerk	

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