

First land deed from the Indians
April 12th 1659

Town of Woodbury
PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION
Woodbury, CT 06798-0369

Parks & Recreation Commission Regular Meeting
Tuesday, June 6, 2017 MINUTES

Present:

Chairman, Kippy North, Leslie Gamsjager, Kelly Packett, Kathy Nichols, Tim Drakeley, Mimi Matta, Sean Moran.

Also Present: Director Miller and Kathy Doyle

1) Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 pm.

2) Approval of Meeting Minutes – May 2, 2017:

A motion was made by Commissioner Gamsjager to approve the minutes as written and it was seconded by Commissioner Packett. The motion carried on a 4 to 0 vote with Commissioners North, Drakeley and Nichols abstaining.

3) Privilege of the Floor:

Nothing at this time.

4) Old Business:

a) Playground Committee Update:

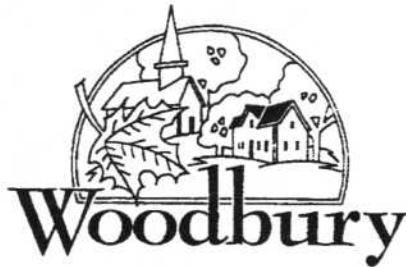
Director Miller would like to buildout everything and use the surplus. Parks and Rec met their obligation of \$20,000 by May 31, 2017. The earliest the playground will be ready is October, 2017 if it is ordered by July 1st.

Director Miller is going to the June 8th Board of Finance Meeting to request using the surplus to purchase all the equipment. She encouraged everyone to attend the meeting.

b) Trolley Bed Preserve Update:

There is a meeting on Monday about the management plan. Nothing can be done on the land until the plan is approved which should be by the end of June.

Jeff Sherman has offered to help the Boy Scouts put up boundary markers for the Trolley Bed.



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The Committee of Trails went out on Saturday with thirty volunteers to look the trails over.

c) SDAT Committee Update:

No update now.

5) New Business:

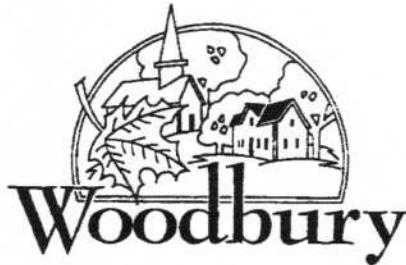
a) Bench Maintenance Plan:

The Committee is waiting for the president of the Lion's Club to get back to the Committee about the bench maintenance and location.

Suggestions will be listened to regarding benches, at the August Meeting. – Commissioner Drakeley mentioned that he thought there were too many benches in Town and the Commission should remove most of them. A maintenance plan for the benches would be an excellent idea with both the Parks and Recreation Commission and the Lion's Club participating.

Directors Report:

- 1) Director Miller made three trips to Strong Preserve Park. Fifty parking spaces will be allowed on the property.
- 2) The Memorial Day parade was shorter this year and there were fewer people on Main Street watching. The Memorial Ceremony, however, had a very large crowd attending. Everything went well.
- 3) The play "Tied to the Tracks", put on by CTAW, went well and everyone enjoyed it.
- 4) The Parks and Recreation Budget was passed.
- 5) The sports fields were closed because of the weather. Some people who were involved in soccer and baseball were unhappy but it turned out to be the right decision.
- 6) Spring programs are coming to a close.
- 7) The Summer camp program has taken off with a good registration.
- 8) The concession stand at Hollow Park, run by Cathy Beck, is now opened. The hours are from noon to 7:30 pm. A suggestion that the stand stay opened until 9:00 pm to pick up business after the games was made.
- 8) The skate park was closed by the Board of Selectmen. This was due to vandals and misuse of the park. Director Miller is now trying to sell, or if she cannot, donate the equipment from the park.
- 9) Selectman Bill Butterly has contacted Aquarian Water Company about installing a water line on the North Green with a faucet for the Garden Club's use.



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10) Al Brimley would like to plant a tree in memory of his father. He would like to plant an Autumn Blaze tree in the Dog Park pasture at Three Rivers. The committee was in approval of this.

11) Little free libraries –What’s on in Woodbury (WOW) is planning to put these little free libraries at the beginning and end of the trails. The Little Libraries will hold nature type books to borrow, or use on the trails. The Boy Scouts plan to make seven of the boxes.

Commissioner North asked about the maintenance of the Little Fee Libraries. Director Miller said that they are fairly maintenance fee but will be checked from time to time.

7) Correspondence:

There will be an art show on Saturday, June 24th with twenty vendors at the North Green, Mitchell School and the North Church.

The next meeting of the Parks and Recreation Commission will be held on Tuesday August 1st.

8) Adjournment:

A motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Nichols and seconded by Commissioner Gamsjager. at 8:05 pm. The motion was unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Mackey, Clerk

A thank you to Commissioner Drakeley for recording the meeting and taking notes.

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This 12th day of June 2017
at 9:10 o'clock A M
Suzanne Cooper
Town Clerk