

Town of Bridgewater, CT
Bridgewater Recreation Commission
Minutes of Regular Meeting: May 19, 2011

Attendees: Catherine Vikstrom, John Flaxman, Justin Planz, Jim Moker, Heidi Verdi

Absent: Julie Stuart, Jo Buchholz

Call to Order: 7:04 PM

Minutes from last month approved: April 28, 2011 Motion to approve by John Flaxman, second by Justin Planz

Correspondence: None Presented. Permanent Secretary still needed.

Coordinator's Report: Pavilion rentals, fee waived, program enrollment for Karate etc. Motion to approve by Jim Moker. Approved 5-0

Old Business:

Tennis Courts – John provided update on new construction of courts, additional fencing will be installed.

Shepaug Baseball and Softball – Softball field is under development.

Field Maintenance schedule is needed for the town for the fall. Coaches have been maintaining fields. The Adult field has not been prepared for opening day in 2 weeks. The rain has impeded the town employees from using the equipment on the fields. Catherine and Justin suggest we develop a field maintenance schedule and plan for the town crew to include all sport fields including soccer, softball, and baseball; to include mulch for the playground and children's playspaces; pavilion.

Catherine – pavilion

Jo - playground

Jim – soccer

Justin- baseball

John- walkway

Cathy- tennis

ALSO: Town park – boat ramp, winter maintenance, ice skating on pond, geese

Jim suggested we look into creating a parking area across from the Senior Center for convenience of reaching softball field and to prevent unsafe pedestrian crossings on the main road.

Summer Camp- Directors interviewed for hiring staff. Registrations for camp are out in the community. We do not have the total counts yet.

Pond- sprinkler is aerating with a benefit of more clear water and less algae. The town hired an Aquatic Management Company to help with the invasive growth of algae. A permit from the CT DEP was obtained by the town for the services to be provided by the company.

Catherine is working on organizing and soliciting volunteers for a Fishing Derby for next Spring.

New Business: Newsletters – Science Camp this summer by Velya Jancz-Urban, Tennis Camp for late summer, National Association for Parks and Recreation – July is NAPR month. Poster of the NAPR to be available for contest?

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn by Justin Planz.

Next Meeting: Thursday, June 23, 2011