Lyme Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes

May 24th, 2010 – 6:00 Lyme Center Academy Building

Approved: June 28th, 2010

Commission Attendees: Dina Cutting, Tom Yurkosky, Bob Couture and Dick Jones (Paul Sansone was absent).

Alternate attendees: Pete Mulvilhill

Public Attendees: Dave Celone

Previous Minutes

Quick discussion regarding the minutes. Dick J. motioned to accept the minutes of April 26th, 2010. Tom Y. seconded. All approved.

Addendum to field lease from Cross Roads.

Selectboard to discuss at June 3 meeting.

Fee for renting Academy Building

A resident sent a letter to selectboard, cc'ing Rec Commission, commenting on the price increase to renting the building. Recently, the town (select board) raised the rental fee by 35%. Which seems to be a large jump. However, as pointed out by Dick J, it had been years since an increase had happened, and the fee is still extremely low. No action needed by this committee.

<u>Tennis Court.</u> In need of repair. Received a letter commenting on the status of the court. Asking us to fix it by June 1.

Correct way to fix it, is expensive (approx \$20K). All involved thus far don't think it makes sense to fix it "cheaply". However, there is a history with the tennis courts. They were a gift several years ago. Acceptance was conditional that it would never cost town any additional tax \$\$\$. Therefore, no maintenance schedule has ever been part of the budget process.

Town currently doesn't have the \$\$\$ in any budget to fix it "correctly" now...

Need to research cost to temporarily fix it (safe and playable) for a couple years (least expensive option available). And if cost isn't too much, then spend the next couple years going through the appropriate budget process in the town, and if approved fix "correctly" at that time.

Pete will talk to Paul Kilebrew regarding options to fix.

Dina to reply to the Lyme resident that sent the letter

By-laws vs. Ordinance

a lot of discussion about should we adopt an ordinance, in addition to, or in replacement to, the bylaws.

Bob C. moved we leave process as is and work off the bylaws rather than support moving forward with creating a town ordinance that says same thing. Seconded by Tom Y. Dick J. Abstained from voting, all others voted in favor of keeping only the by laws and not creating an Ordinance

Bike Path Subcommittee

Sub committee has reached out to all land owners from town to south end of pond. Most are okay with some low impact path. Though some are not in favor. Working on the remaining land owners between town and pond.

Colin Robinson, Russ Hirschler, Brad May – want to put together "a FAQ" sort of thing about concerns any land owner might have with our low impact path plan. They will then go to those land owners and present to them and hopefully address their concerns.

Other options are being discussed.

We are suggesting the sub committee continue forward with their efforts. And thank them very much.

Dick motioned to adjourn at 7:30pm. Dina seconded.

Respectfully submitted,

Bob Couture