

**Town of Northborough  
Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting  
October 3, 2017**

*These Minutes were unanimously approved at the Commission's November 7, 2017 Meeting.*

**In attendance:** David Putnam, Mark Awdycki, Sean McCann, Faith Stevens, David Robillard, Allison Lane, Michelle Cilley.

**5:35pm—Meeting Called to Order.**

**5:36pm—September Minutes Approved.** Faith Stevens (FS) made a motion to approve minutes from the last meeting in September. Sean McCann (SM) seconded, all in favor.

**5:38pm—Recreation Report.** Allie Lane (AL) discussed the Challenger Cornhole Tournament, it raised \$3000. AL said it was a successful event but attendance was down from the prior year, could be because it was extremely hot for this year's tournament.

**5:55pm—DPW Report.** David Robillard (Robo) updated the Commission on several projects; the handicap-accessible walkways to the gazebo and the new canoe launch are almost ready [at Ellsworth-McAfee Park]. David Putnam (DP) asked how to go about removing trees at Lincoln Street. Robo said to talk to Scott Charpentier first. Discussion followed about NYBA's lack of spending in improvements to the Lincoln St. ball field.

**6:00pm—New Business.**

- AL checked to see how the Commission's liaisons to the CPC and Open Space were going. Sean McCann (SM) said he found Open Space meetings interesting, AL spoke on Sean Durkin's behalf and said she believed he enjoyed participating in the CPC discussions.
- AL told the Commission that there has an issue with rogue groups at Ellsworth-McAfee Park. Tracey Cammarano (NYSA) had a run-in with one group who insisted they had a permit but couldn't provide it when asked. AL said that Tracey asked AL to look into it, so AL asked Faith Stevens (FS) to go to the field as a Recreation Commission representative. FS said she went to the field and saw that the group was there. She asked them for a permit and was told that 'the guy who has it isn't here', and offered identification instead. FS said that wasn't going to work and explained why a permit is necessary. The group left once she insisted that they couldn't use the field without a permit in hand. Discussion followed, with the group considering signage at that field and possibly Melican Middle School fields as well, stating that field use was by permit only.
- The next Parks and Rec Commission meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 7 at 5:30pm.

**6:25pm—Old Business.** No old business to discuss.

**6:26pm—Motion to Adjourn.** DP made a motion to adjourn, SM seconded, all in favor.