Unapproved Minutes

- Park and Rec Commission Meeting February 6, 2014
- Members: Robert Dunn, Chairman, Glynn McAraw, Mary Ellen Garbarino, Missy Garvin, John Flower, Nigel Logan and Donald Bugbee, Director.
- Meeting started at 7:03 pm.
- Minutes of the December 5, 2013 meeting unanimously approved as written. January meeting cancelled due to the weather.
- Joe Zrenda, Chairman of War At The Shore, a baseball organization he runs for 10yr-19yr old kids during the
- spring and summer, came before the commission to discuss use of the Little League field for April 5&6 and Memorial Day week-end. He used the field a couple of years ago....there were minor issues concerning material used on the fields, condition of the bathrooms, and removal of trash. This has since been cleared up with Little League. In recent talks with LL leadership re: use of the fields for these dates, he was given the following costs: \$625 use of field, \$1,000 security deposit, \$250. for porta-potti clean out and donation to a scholarship fund. He usually pays around \$300 for use of fields in the area. He felt this was excessive. The towns benefits from the influx of people the games bring into the area. It was suggested he could use Town Woods Park....however he likes LL field because of the dug out, which is covered in case of inclement weather, and the fence. There is a portable fence that could be used at Town Woods.
- There is not a separate Lyme/Old Lyme team per se. He would only be using Old Lyme field for the 10 year olds. It was acknowledged that the fields are Town owned. No commission member was aware of the LL fees and terms. Mr. Zrenda will approach the LL leadership, to try to work it out. If they are unreasonable
- and he has to come back to the commission he should bring a LL individual with him. "Keep in touch with Don."
- Programs: Winter/Spring
- Into the 3rd week of Winter Basketball....Late start because of sign-up and lack of coaches.
- Adult Basketball: Wed nite...6:30 pm 9pm. at High School also Sunday morning 10 am noon. Looking for an additional Sunday facility.
- Summer Staff....90% returnees....out of 40 people only 1 not returning
- Budget Meeting with Board of Finance on Feb 11th. Will be presenting operating and capital requests.
- Tennis Classes: request from Michelle Bass who would like to teach tennis from late April thru early June.
- Classes would be for kids to adults. Will be held at Cross Lane courts.
- Town Woods Park Operating Committee: is at a stand-still...haven't hired a consultant...however Selectwoman Reemsnyder e-mailed Don(chairman of committee) that she wants to sit down to work on it again. Everyone is in agreement that a consultant would be benefical...especially somebody who can speak on the subject. (this was what was in place with the original TW committee) Some things are not working well i.e. organics, etc.
- Lyme/Old Lyme Basketball Club: an indiividual who is unhappy with the operation of the club approached Don, with the posssibility of forming a team of 6th graders and run it through Park and Rec. This would have to be set up and run by the individual: Schedules, referees, who is going to pay for it, where are they going to pay, coaches, how many games, selection process, are some of the things he would have to come up with. Discussion followed: it was the concensus of the Commission members that they would like "lots more information." They have concerns that they would like answered. They would invite him to come before the commission with a plan. They feel it might be to late in the season for this be put in place.

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No action taken. Don will contact and talk to him.
Meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm.
Respectfully submitted,
Doris Johnson, Secretary