

Rye Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes Monday, October 2, 2023, 6:00 p.m. The Wave Community Center At Rye Congregational Church 580 Washington Road, Rye, NH

Cory Called the meeting to order at 6:06.

In attendance: Richard Furber, Joe Persechino, Marlene Veloso, Cory Belden, Stacy Krecklow, Dyana Martin.

Regrets: Jonathan Fox

Absent: Brett Mulvey

The Pledge of Allegiance was said and meeting minutes from the previous meeting were reviewed. Joe made two clerical amendments to the minutes and made a motion to accept the minutes with the amendments. Cory seconded the motion. All were in favor with Richard abstaining.

Joe asked Richard to talk a little about his interest in being on the commission and Richard introduced himself to the committee and talked about his background and why he is interested in being on the commission.

Master Plan: Cory stated that he met with the softball and baseball commissioners and got their ideas about the new field. He stated that 170 feet would work for both boys' and girls' teams for the outside fence placement (portable fence). Also, both groups agreed that this plan for a new field could work but the idea of sharing the current field would not work. At that point, Dyana suggested that when laying out the field that we should remember to consider the soccer layouts so as not to lose space for them in the fall months. Stacy then asked about the timing of the new field for use and Cory stated that if it passed that it could be ready for the summer. Stacy asked if the other field could be shared until then. The answer to that was unknown.

The maintenance of the field was also questioned as to who would be responsible- softball or baseball – and it was suggested to look to Shawn Crapo or Bob Fuller, our new parks maintenance employee. It was also suggested that maybe we could give Bob ten more hours a week in the budget for the added maintenance with the new field.

Financials: Dyana went over the finances and gave the figures for the different accounts.

New Commission member: Stacy made a motion to recommend Richard Furber as a member of the commission. Marlene seconded the motion, and all were in favor. Cory will send a letter to the Selectboard to recommend Richard for the commission.

Deputy Director: Dyana discussed the candidates with the group again with the final pick being made with the commission.

Halloween event: Dyana talked about the Halloween event that she was putting together in partnership with the Rye Public Library. They are working on a costume contest and the showing of the movie Coco. Dyana stated that she, Dennis, and Vicki already had Day of the Dead Sugar Skull costumes and had bought party favors to go with the movie as well. They would be serving hot dogs and popcorn. The date of the event is October 25th at the property of the library.

Next meeting- November 6, 2023, 6:00pm at the Wave. The motion was made by Joe to adjourn, Cory seconded the motion. The motion was unanimous at 8:04.