

**TOWN OF WEYMOUTH
WEYMOUTH RECREATION ADVISORY COMMISSION
January 15, 2015
MINUTES**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Karen Johnston. Chairman
Steve Reilly
Janelle Quinn (via telephone)
Barbara Kearney

NOT PRESENT: Art Del Rosso
Brian Kowalski

ALSO PRESENT: Mark Kilban

RECORDING SECRETARY: Christine Malloy

Chairman Johnston called the meeting to order at 7:00PM.

MINUTES

Ms. Kearney made a MOTION to APPROVE the minutes of December 11, 2014 with the addition; via telephone added to Janelle Quinn and Art Del Rosso. Ms. Quinn SECONDED the MOTION. It was UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

WEYMOUTH YATCH CLUB COLLABORATIONS

Chairman Johnston asked Ms. Quinn if she has had the opportunity to speak with Mr. Conway at WYC regarding possible collaborations with WeymouthRec. Ms. Quinn stated yes; and that she has forwarded an e-mail to both Mr. Kowalski and Mr. Reilly regarding her discussion with Mr. Conway.

Mr. Reilly stated Mr. Conway stopped by the office the other day. They are now working on collaboration and ideas on how WYC can help WeymouthRec.

FIELD PERMIT PROCESS and ANTICIPATED FIELD USE SURVEY

Mr. Reilly stated a few people have started to inquire as to permits for 2015. As of tomorrow Mr. Reilly will notify all spring permit holders of the new rules and regulations on field permit process; i.e. safety at the fields, accidents at the fields and insurance at the fields. The permit rule process will change again going forward. Plan is to continue with fees set as of now; fees will change in the fall.

Applications will be sent out to all prior persons that permitted fields. Complete field request forms and get back by 2/6/15. Rec Committee will review field requests. So that it is done

fairly. Probably a two week prior to go through all applications. Mr. Reilly will forward a copy of the letter to all Weymouth Rec Commission members. Ms. Quinn asked should Weymouth Rec keep any time slot open for public use time; just a questions to keep on the table.

MEALS TAX POWERPOINT BEFORE AND AFTER

Chairman Johnston tabled this item until next meeting.

PARK FACILITY FORMS

These forms are to be distributed to each Weymouth Rec Commission Member and ask that members visit each park and list the equipment at each park and the condition of equipment

TOWN MAP OF PARKS & LEGEND OF STREET LOCATIONS

Ms. Kearney suggested click on link at park and have photos of play areas.

60th ANNIVERSARY of WEYMOUTH RECREATOIN and GRAND OPENING of LEGION

Ms. Quinn stated she has reached out to Mayor Kay but not gotten a response. So as of today there is no update.

NEW BUSINESS

SKATE RINK POLICY AND PROCEEDURES

Mr. Reilly stated he has issued a permit for spring into June for skate rink with Mark Kilbane. Signage for the skate rink went up today.

Weymouth Inline Skating Rink Stella Tirrell Park Rules and Regulations

The rink at Stella Tirrell Park was built by the Town of Weymouth for the use of Weymouth residents. The Weymouth Recreation Department has instituted certain regulations for its use. It is hoped that the spirit as well as the letter of these regulations will be observed so that all may share the rink on a fair basis. The rink is open year round depending on the weather. As this is a new facility for the Town, there may be adjustments made to this policy.

The Town of Weymouth Recreation Department handles all reservations within the park. The Recreation Department will work closely with the School Department regarding use of the rink for school related activities.

Reservation applications may be submitted online at www.weymouthrec.com. Reservations may also be made in person at the Weymouth Recreation Department 1393 Pleasant Street, Weymouth, Ma 02189. Available times may be viewed on the website.

Use of the Rink

- Hours of Operations
- On School days 2:30pm to dusk. All other days are dawn to dusk. Rink will be opened early on school "in-service" days for Weymouth Public Schools to allow for additional play. The rink may be opened at earlier times upon request by calling the Recreation office at 781-682-6124.
- The use of the rink is for Weymouth residents before all others. Proof of residency may be required while using the facility. A valid Massachusetts driver's license of state id. Are acceptable. Weymouth students may use their Weymouth student id as proof of residency at the rink. If neither form of identification is available, a Weymouth Recreation Resident Card will be required. This card is FREE to all Weymouth residents and is available through the Recreation Department. Resident cards must be renewed every year and are valid throughout the calendar year. Proof of residency or town employment is required.
- Residents wishing to use the rink for recreational purposes do not need a reservation, however use of the rink is on a first come-first serve basis.
- Non-residents and/or "for profit" instructors (both resident and non-resident) MUST obtain a permit. The Recreation Department will issue a permit when all fees are paid prior to use. Permits must be available for display for a reserved rink(s). IF REQUIRED: Please submit with reservation application a Certificate of Insurance naming the Town of Weymouth as an additional insured and must be on file with the Recreation Department. The insurance policy must provide for general liability coverage with limits no less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence and \$2,000,000 aggregate for personal injury, bodily injury and property damage.

Inline Rink Reservation Priority

1. Town and School Activities (no fee)
2. Youth town Leagues/Teams (Fee 1)
3. Adult Town Leagues/Teams - 90% residency (Fee 1)
4. Individual residents and/or Town organizations (non-profit) (Fee 1)
5. Individual residents and/or Town organizations (for-profit) (Fee 2)
6. Out of Town Organizations (Fee 2)

Inline Rink Fees*

- Fee 1 \$20 for 60 minutes
- Fee 2 \$100 for 60 minutes

The Recreation Department reserves the right to change/adjust fees if it is determined that an organization has misrepresented itself or is not using the facility for its intended purpose or in the best interest of the community.

Inline Rink Procedures

- Courtesy is asked of all players. There will be a maximum of 60 minutes playtime when Weymouth Town residents are waiting for the rink. The rink will then be turned over to the players waiting the longest.
- Non-residents may only play with Weymouth hosts unless they have purchased a permit.
- There may be a monitor checking Recreation residency cards at various times throughout the week.
- In general, players are expected to do their part to keep the rink and sideline areas in good condition and free of debris. PLEASE use the trash barrels.
- Good sportsmanship is expected at all times.
- **ALL users (participants and bystanders) shall leave the rink and seek shelter at the first indication of thunder and lightening and remain off the rink until 30 minutes past the last occurrence of either thunder or lightening.**
- **NO HARD PUCKS ALLOWED!**
- No skates or footwear that will cause harm to the playing surface are allowed at any time (no hard heels)
- NO GRAFFITI, NO TAGGING, NO STICKERS, NO VANDALISM
- Anyone found to be in violation will be asked to leave the rink immediately, and may be at the discretion of the Recreation Department, School Department, Department of Public Works or Weymouth Police Department have their privileges revoked.

Mr. Kilbane asked how he can make money to maintain and improve the rink. Would he be allowed to get sponsors to hang up banners only during games and remove banners when game's end. Goal is only to raise money for maintenance. Mr. Reilly suggested Mr. Kilbane make a proposal with renderings and proposed expected revenues from proposed sponsors.

LEGION FIELD WORKING GROUP

Mr. Reilly stated the working group went and presented a rate change for user groups to \$120 per hour; it was a PowerPoint presentation on the turf fields at Legion and Weymouth High School. The School Committee voted for the new rate to be \$80 per hour. \$150 for outside user groups (out-of-town) pre-season or holiday rates are more than \$150.

The school has a custodial person at the field for field use.

GREAT ESKER PARK

Trying to get plan of action into place to get people out of Great Esker Park that have been camping out there (living there this winter).

OLD COLONY RUNNING CLUB

Old Colony Running Club is hosting a 3-5K run with intent to raise money for Great Esker Park.

OPEN MEETING LAW GUIDE - (handout)

All members need to read, sign and hand in at the next meeting.

MANDATORY ETHICS COURSE

On-line course, go online and take course, print certificate and bring to next meeting.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Weymouth Recreation Advisory Commission will be held on February 12, 2015 at 7:00PM.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business Ms. Kearney made a MOTION to ADJOURN at 8:30PM. Ms. Johnston SECONDED the MOTION. It was UNANIMOUSLY VOTED TO ADJOURN.

Approved by: _____

Date: _____

Karen Johnston, Chairman