Town of Wilmington Recreation Commission Minutes of the Meeting October 3, 2019

Present:

Members – Charles Biondo, Sheila Burke, Jennifer Crane, and Laurie Robarge Absent – Michael Burns Also in Attendance - Recreation Director, Karen Campbell, Senior Clerk, Linda Kanter, and Robert Hayes

The meeting was called to order at 5:04 p.m.

Minutes

The September 5, 2019 Meeting Minutes were accepted unanimously. Motion by Charles Biondo; second by Jennifer Crane.

Director's Report:

Karen Campbell reviewed the details of the September Monthly Report.

Old Business:

Ice Rink: The committee met in September. Town Engineer Paul Alunni presented an overview of various parcels of land discussing acreage, building constraints and access. The committee continues to investigate the possibility of a managed facility on town-owned land. The committee discussed the fact that this project is juxtaposed with municipal, school and public safety facility needs.

New Business:

Northeast Historical Tour Recap: Travelers on this tour thoroughly enjoyed the chance to see well known sites through a historical lens. Feedback was overwhelmingly positive.

Horribles Parade – October 27: This annual event will be held on Saturday, October 27. The parade begins at 4:30 at the Public Safety Building and ends at the High School cafeteria where treats await all costumed children. Adults willing to volunteer should contact the Recreation Department.

Yentile Bricks and Benches: The sales of engraved bricks and benches with engraved plaques have transitioned from the Friends of 9 Cross Street to the Recreation Department. A Facebook post and email blast led to the sale of fourteen bricks and one bench.

Passport Processing: The Recreation Department will begin processing passport applications once all staff is trained. At that time, the Town Clerk's office will no longer offer this service.

Pickleball Courts – Woburn Street School Gym: When the Woburn Street School gym floor was refinished this summer, Pickleball court lines were added. This gym is used for our very popular Pickleball classes.

Discussion/Questions:

A video of the Recreation Department's first Pickleball Tournament can be seen on WCTV.

Commissioners agreed to change the date of the next Commission meeting to avoid a conflict with the Department's trip to Costa Rica.

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, November 14, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. in Room 9.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:26 p.m. by a unanimous vote. Motion by Laurie Robarge; second by Charles Biondo.

Submitted by:

Kinda Kanter

Linda Kanter

Senior Clerk, Recreation Department