Town of Wilmington Recreation Commission Minutes of the Meeting April 6, 2023

Present:

Members – Saresh Alambath, Ron Bento, and Laurie Robarge Also in Attendance – Recreation Director Brett Sawin, and Senior Clerk, Marilyn Manos Absent – Jennifer Crane and Michael Burns

The meeting was called to order at 5:06 p.m.

Minutes:

The March 9, 2023 meeting minutes were accepted unanimously. Motion by Laurie Robarge; second by Saresh Alambath.

Director's Report: Brett reviewed the details of the Monthly Report for March 2023.

Old Business:

Ice Skating Rink: No updates at this time.

Spring/Summer program registrations: We are continuing to get the word out with what we currently have open while prepping the May newsletter for more programs for the summer.

Conflict of Interest Ethics Training: Must be completed by April 30.

New Business:

Summer Staffing: Most of our Tiny Tots/Kids Club staff will be returning this year. Since we added an additional 30 spots for Playground, we have also added 4 new leaders. We have hired one new lifeguard this season so far and are continuously looking for more.

MRPA Conference: Brett attended the yearly MRPA Conference held at the Four Points by Sheraton in Norwood. This is a great way to connect with others from all around the state. There were many informative sessions, some in which sparked new ideas for Playground orientation to make it more fun and interactive.

Discussion/Questions:

Laurie had heard about Tewksbury Recreation opening again and wondered if we had any information, in which we had not heard anything yet.

Ron asked about how many lifeguards we are looking for in total for the season, which would be around 20. He also asked about our trips and overall they are good. Most trips are either full, or close to it. Our 6-day overnight trip to Tucson leaves April 23 with direct flights and a group of 33.

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, May 4, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. in Town Hall, Room 9. The meeting was adjourned at 5:43 p.m. by a unanimous vote. Motion by Ron Bento; second by Saresh Alambath.