

**Town of Wilmington  
Recreation Commission  
Minutes of the Meeting  
May 6, 2021**

**Present:**

Members – Saresh Alambath, Charles Biondo, Michael Burns and Jennifer Crane

Absent – Laurie Robarge

Also in Attendance – Recreation Director Karen Campbell, and Senior Clerk, Linda Kanter

The meeting was called to order at 5:05 p.m.

**Minutes**

The April 1, 2021 Meeting Minutes were accepted unanimously. Motion by Charles Biondo; second by Michael Burns.

**Director's Report:** Karen Campbell reviewed the details of the Monthly Report for April 2021.

**Old Business:**

Ice Rink – Indoor: Committee meetings have resumed. The acreage identified as needed by a prospective developer, and existing limitations such as location, ledge, water, the availability of Town services and relocation of current use all prove to be obstacles to the project. Four sites were investigated: Town Park, Whitefield, Grove Ave. and the current Recycling Center. All have limitations. The committee is considering a community survey.

**New Business:**

“Recreation Matters” – Spring UPDATE 2021: A supplement to the Spring newsletter was published in April. Newsletters are being published at irregular intervals in order to adapt to changes in COVID 19 guidelines, and promote programs in a timely manner.

Reorganize Commission: By unanimous votes, Michael Burns and Charles Biondo will remain in their current positions as Chairman and Vice Chairman respectively.

Town Beach: The Recreation Department continues to advertise for Lifeguards and an Assistant Beach Supervisor for the upcoming season.

Status of Trips: There are two day trips and two extended trips scheduled for this year. The trip in September to the Canadian Rockies may be rescheduled if travel restrictions to Canada remain in place. The Department is fielding many inquiries about future travel opportunities.

**Discussion/Questions:**

Commission members questioned the feasibility of other parcels in town for a Rink/Recreation Center, and asked if a facility serving multiple towns was under consideration.

The next meeting will be held on **Thursday, June 3, 2021** at 5:00 p.m. in the Town Hall Auditorium.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:58 p.m. by a unanimous vote. Motion by Charles Biondo; second by Jennifer Crane.

Submitted by:

Linda Kanter  
Senior Clerk, Recreation