**SOMERS RECREATION COMMISSION**

MEETING MINUTES

November 7, 2016 7:00 PM

Kibbe Fuller Community Center

I. Call to Order:

Meeting was called to Order by Jeff Jablonski at 7:00 PM

**II.** Members Present:

Jeff Jablonski - Chairman, Steve Woicik – Vice Chairman, Karen McGuane – Secretary,

Members: John Curran, Stephanie Gershowitz, Ned Lynch, Scott Sutter

Nonmembers in attendance:

Christopher Boucher – Deputy Director, Recreation

Todd Rolland – Director, Public Works and Recreation

III. Audience: No Audience Members were in attendance

IV. Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes:

Minutes from the October 3rd meeting was reviewed & unanimously approved. The minutes were motioned by Ned Lynch with 2nd by John Curran.

V. Coordinators Report:

Chris Boucher reviewed the Coordinators Report. A copy of this report will be filed with the minutes.

* The board was updated on all existing programs & events
* 2017 Potential new programs were reviewed.

1. Somers Rec After School Program- the board unanimously agreed a motion to approve the concept of an after school program targeting grades 4-8 and to have Chris Boucher explore how this program can be structured and implemented. This is the first step in a project that will need a lot of set up work before it will be ready to be approved. It is intended to be a stand-alone, self-supported program mirrored in part after the Summer Camp program with a paid director and paid counselors. However, the level of education & background qualifications for all paid personnel would need to be higher than currently outlined for the summer camp program.
2. 40 & Up Open Gym- Currently there are 2 nights (Mon, Thur) that are set aside for men’s basketball. One of the 2 nights may be designated for the over 40 age only age group if there are enough players interested.
3. Anytime Fitness Collaborations- Chris will be setting up a meeting with representatives from Anytime Fitness regarding potential new joint programs for our residents.

VI. DPW Report:

Todd Rolland reviewed the Parks Report. A copy of this report will be filed with the minutes. Highlights include:

1. The gazebo & maintenance buildings were retrofitted in October with new energy efficient lighting with help from a $5,000 grant from Bright Ideas from Energize CT.
2. The town engineer has flagged the property line on the land behind the high school softball field. The

Parks Department will start defining the property line this fall/winter by cutting a path all around the property line as time permits.

VII. Old Business:

There was no old business to review.

VIII. New Business:

1. Survey Update- this was postponed for discussion. Chris Boucher will email updates as he receives more information. The intent is to discuss this further at the December Recreation meeting.
2. Field Use Policy –2 Changes were made to the Affliated section of the Field Use Policy.

* Section 1 E - the wording “a copy of the organizations previous year’s tax returns was changed to “evidence of nonprofit status”
* Section 3 – the wording “annual tax returns” was changed to “evidence of nonprofit status”

A copy of the revised Field Use Policy will be filed with the minutes to this meeting and submitted to the Board of Selectmen for approval.

IX. CORRESPONDENCE: There was no correspondence to review.

X. Opportunity to add agenda items: No additional agenda items were added.

XI. Next Meeting: The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, December 5, 2016 - 7:00 PM Kibbe Fuller Community Center

XII. Adjournment: Motion to adjourn was called by Karen McGuane; Scott Sutter 2nd.

The meeting adjourned at 7:55 P.M.

*Respectfully Submitted*:

*Karen McGuane – Secretary*