

SOMERS RECREATION COMMISSION

Special MEETING MINUTES

January 15, 2017 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, Karen McGuane – Secretary

Members: John Curran, Ned Lynch & Scott Sutter

Members not in attendance: Steve Woicik – Vice Chairman

Nonmembers in attendance:

Christopher Boucher – Deputy Director, Recreation

III. Audience: No audience members were in attendance

IV. Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes:

The minutes for both the November 13, 2017 (Special) & December 4, 2017 (Regular) meetings were approved with one minor change.

The minutes to the Nov 13th meeting were changed under VII New Business Section b Community Interest Survey. The last line of this section originally read: "...& the intent is to aim for a mid-**June** release". This line was revised to read: "...& the intent is to aim for a mid-**March** release".

Additional Note- The meeting originally scheduled for January 8th as a regular meeting was postponed until today, January 15th and rescheduled as special meeting.

V. Recreation Report:

The Recreation Report submitted by Chris Boucher was reviewed by the board.

Highlights include:

- The SES after school program is going very well. The intent is to roll it out to MBA as soon as possible. Target date is the fall of 2018.
- Both the Men's Open Gym Basketball & Over 40 program are running 1 night each per **week with no problems**.
- Tot Basketball normally is held during the winter months but is being run a little later this year due to lack of gym availability. It will start at the end of February & run through March.
- The Community Interest Survey has been approved by the Board of Selectmen for release on March 1st.

VI. DPW Report:

There was no report to review.

VII. New Business:

a. **2018 Meeting Schedule**

The Recreation Commission Meeting Schedule for 2018 was unanimously approved by the board. (Jeff Jablonski motioned with Ned Lynch as second). A copy of the meeting schedule will be submitted with these minutes and available on the town website.

b. **All Sports Meeting**

Chris Boucher will notify all of the sports organizations to attend the Recreation Commission Meeting to be held on March 5th. All sports organizations are formally invited to annually attend one meeting to discuss their programs. It's a good opportunity to address short & long term needs within our town and to notify the different groups about any items the Rec Commission would like to review.

c. **Somers Basketball Association**

Chris reported that he has many new parent volunteers this year for the Basketball Association. They are actively assisting in the operations of the program and they are exploring the possibility of establishing themselves as an independent organization. The program will remain under the umbrella of the Recreation Department for this year and will continue to be run by Chris Boucher. He will update the Recreation Commission as new information becomes available.

III. Correspondence: There was no written correspondence to review.

IX. Opportunity to add agenda items:

- Ned Lynch asked if the practice wall at Firehouse Field is going to be replaced or refurbished. Chris will check with Bruce Urbon for an update and will get back to the board.
- Ned also asked if anything was scheduled to be done about the fencing at Firehouse Field. This effects both Soccer & Lacrosse. Chris will follow up with Kevin Foy & Bruce Urbon.
- There are rumors floating around about the MBA field being reconfigured. Chris is going to contact Jim MacFeat to see if there any plans to change the layout of the fields.

X. Next Meeting: Monday, February 5, 2018 – 7:00 PM Kibbe Fuller Community Center.

XI. Adjournment: Motion to adjourn was called by Scott Sutter with second by Ned Lynch.
The meeting adjourned at 7:49 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted:

Karen McGuane - Secretary