

**Newbury Recreation Committee
Minutes: March 6, 2023
Newbury Town Hall
12 Kent Way, Byfield, MA 01922**

I. Meeting Called: 6:02 pm

Members Present: David Broll, Ben Norton High School Representative, Courtney Boudrow, Mary Anastasio, Cindy Currier COA Representative and Mark Sandt

Guests: Alicia Greco, Chair Select Board

- II. Review and Vote on previous meeting minutes.** Minutes of the February meeting corrected the spelling Committee member Mary Anastasio, last name. The motion to accept the amended minutes by Mark and seconded by David passed.
- III. Bill Schedule:** Townsend Oil submitted their invoice. David motioned and Mark seconded that Mary A. be our Treasurer and Courtney B. be the alternative Treasurer. Motion passed.
- IV. Correspondences:** a representative from flagball spoke with David about field usage in the Fall. They will need to complete an application to be considered. Courtney has been in contact with Triton Youth Soccer and Triton Youth Lacrosse to complete documentation for field usage.
- V. New Business:** Review permit application. Michelle Abren would like to operate her portable coffee trailer on weekends in the Central Street parking lot. Provided that the business has appropriate permits from the Newbury Board of Health and other applicable agencies the Committee approved the request after a proposal by Mark and seconded by David. The Request can now go before the Select Board for open space use.
- VI. Old Business:**

Pickleball: Committee discussed the purchase of pickleball supplies and initiate a pilot program, at starting with the COA client base. Mark motioned that the Committee encumber up to \$2000 for pickleball equipment. Motion approved.. Cindy will coordinate the program. Cindy will work on securing an existing AED, possible from the COA Newbury Elementary location for use at the Field House, during COA activities.

Ideas for central Street/ Master Plan. David informed the Committee that Chris Huntress, a land use architect, will create a “Master Plan” that would encompass previously mentioned elements. The Town Administrator, would like to have this plan in place before moving forward with any one element. If American Rescue Plan Act funds are to be used with any portion of this project, the Committee needs to be aware of the federal timelines. Mark asked if it was practical that the Committee begins the process

for the canoe access point and the replacement bridge to the Triton complex. Alicia was concerned that the Conservation Commission approval might expire before the projects could be completed. The idea of a dog park was reviewed and ultimately will not be included in the Master Plan. Committee discussed back gate and how to afford access on busy days.

Committee continued the work on the Central Street Fields and Facilities Guideline document.

A Special meeting of the Recreation Committee will be posted for March 20th, 2023 at 6:00pm in the Council on Aging Office, with the focus on finalizing the *Guideline* document.

Next Meeting Regularly Scheduled for April 3rd 2023, Newbury Town Hall, 12 Kent Way, Byfield, MA. at 6:00pm

Meeting Adjourned 8:47pm. (Motioned by Mark, seconded by David Motion Approved).