



**Newbury Recreation Committee
Minutes: May 1st, 2023
Newbury Town Hall
12 Kent Way, Byfield, MA 01922**

I. Meeting Called: 6:09 pm

Members Present: David Broll, Mary Anastasio, Ben Norton, (Student Representative) and Mark Sandt.
Not present: Open Space Committee designee, COA designee and Liaison to the Select Board.

Guest Oliva O'Leary, Maecy Gay-Killeen and Emily Geist, Triton Regional Middle School Students.

- II. Review Minutes:** Mark did not complete the minutes for approval, he asked that be tabled until the next meeting. Seconded by Dave, motion approved.
- III. Bill Schedule:** Mello Disposal, Townsend Oil and the COA storage unit for pickleball were submitted. Mark questioned about the seasonal charge for DPW for field maintenance, not on the ledger. Committee needs to follow up with DPW regarding flag purchase, and if this Committee is billing charged. TYSA is outstanding with submission of documentation. Courtney has been in communication with Jason at TYSA to providing the necessary documentation.
- IV. Correspondences:** Triton Regional School students wrote requesting to install trash receptacles at the Central Street property. They will present during the new business section.

Mark motioned that we suspend the order of the agenda, specifically to hear the proposal by the Triton Regional youth presentation. Seconded by David, motion past.

New Business: The students presented their case to have the Town supply additional trash barrels at the Central property. Mark will follow up with DPW and Town Administrator regarding the feasibility of this proposal.

Committee returned to original order on the agenda

V. **Old Business:**

Pickleball: Will start May 2nd. Lines are laid out with tape. Courtney will identify how to override the software to enable the COA pickleball time slots to be accepted.

Master Plan: Consultant not available for presentation. To be reschedule.

Review any applications, none submitted.

Facilities Policy: David and Mark presented the *Central Street Environmental Resource Area Facilities Guideline* to the Select Board last week. After answering their question, the document was approved. Is now listed on our web page.

Reservation portal: Courtney will continue to with with the reservation portal vendor to stream line application process.

New Business: Use of non-field areas, David informed the Committee of Seacoast Flag Football's desire to use space at the Central Street property for the Fall season. They will need to sub an application like other users. David discussed the use of non-field space and possible costs. Mark suggested that the Committee look at Town property, that was purchased for recreation use, off Kent Way as a viable space for additional playing surfaces.

Power Source for Lights: The Committee received a request to use electrical lighting at the fields, as opposed to the current petroleum powered lighting. The entity would purchase the lighting and would use Town electrical. Mark will ask DPW and Town Administrator as to the viability of such.

Member should resubmit their letter of interest if they wish to continue to be on the Recreation Committee.

Mark asked where the Triton Regional soccer team held their Captains practices. Looking to determine if they would return to the Fields.

A time sensitive issue was brought up regarding the septic system. David reported that on a recent visit to the Field House, he became concerned about the when the last time the septic system was examined. Mark will ask DPW and Town Administrator for an update on the status of the septic. David motioned that the Committee spend up to \$2000 seconded by Mary, revised to \$3000 by David seconded by Courtney. Motion passed. Mark will follow up with DPW and Town Administrator.

Water bubbler: Committee is looking into replacing current water fountain with a system that allows water bottles to be refilled. Ben mentioned that need for filters. Mark will work with DPE and Town Administrators to determine the viability of such.

Mark suggested to Mary to encumber funds, if necessary to pay late arriving bills.

Next meeting scheduled meeting May 22nd to approve any acquisitions. The regular monthly meeting is scheduled for June 12th, 2023 at 6:00pm.

Motion to adjourn at 7:03, by David. Motion approved.

Next Meeting to be scheduled June 8th 2023, location is Newbury Town Hall, 12 Kent Way, Byfield, MA. at 6:00pm.

Meeting Adjourned 6:26pm. Motioned by Mark. Seconded by David. Motion Approved.