



**Newbury Recreation Committee
Minutes: December 16th, 2019
Newbury Town Hall
12 Kent Way, Byfield, MA 01922**

APPROVED

- I. Meeting Called to Order; Mike motioned and Dave D, seconded motion to call the meeting to order at 6:04Pm. Motion passed.
- II. Members present: Mike Volpone, Dave Dempsey, Celine Muldowney, David Broll and mark Sandt. Alicia Greco Liaison to the board of Selectmen. Not present. Council on Aging Representative, Planning Board Representative and High School Student Representative. Moriah Lucey indicated her need to resign, though no formal letter has been submitted.
- III. Previous meeting minutes Mark requested that the minutes are forwarded to members in a timely manner. Motion to accept minutes by Mark, seconded by Celine. Motion passed.
- IV. Correspondences: None
- V. Bills and Claims: Bills for Janitorial services and G. Mello submitted. Mark spoke with Mello to suspend services until April. Mark also spoke to James Surette, DPW, on December 4th to suspend cleaning services after conducting an end of season cleaning. DPW will monitor building through the winter.
- VI. Old business
 - a. Keys and Motion: Moriah was the heading the concerns. No action, Michael will speak with Moriah and follow up.
 - b. Court at Central Street: Michael will meet with Town Counsel for advice. Need to understand procedural protocol, such as a public announcement, levels if any and length of time.
 - c. On line Calendar: The consensus is to use Google Calendar for the time being.

- i. Need to update application to include fee's \$6 and \$15. Hours requested, rate label and that the fields are open from 7:00Am to 8:00Pm
- d. Signs: Mark met with James Surette, DPW and showed location of signage.
- e. Yoga: Due to restrictions on allocation of Recreation Committee's appropriated funds, yoga proposal can not go forward as presented. If funds other than those appropriated are identified, yoga initiative could go forward.
- f. F. Skating rink: David Broll, met with the Town Administrator and similar to the yoga proposal, due to restrictions on the Committee's appropriated funds, the skating rink proposal can not proceed as proposed.

Mark inquired if the funds can only be used for the field, does this include Kent Way, as both properties were acquired for recreational purposes. Or does a separate funding category need to need created?

- g. In the conversation about the dumpster, concern was brought forth regarding dog feces. The rationale for keeping the dumpster on site through the down seasons is to provide users of the facility access to limited size trash receptacle. The lid has been chained to open approximately 6 inches to allow disposal of small items (namely dog waste) but, not household trash. Pick services was deemed expensive and the installation of small receptacles for the dog feces would be an added expense, with the dumpster so close. The issue are the few less responsible owners whom do not remove the waste deposited by their canine. Mark asked Alicia to speak with the Town Administrator, Chief of Police and the Animal Control Officer regarding enforcement of the No Dogs on the Fields.

Action Items:

Alicia will work with Town Administrator to determine Town of Newbury employee will be responsible for Recreation Calendar, web page update and data entry.

Alicia will work with Town Administrator to upload Field House Policy.

Alicia will work with the Town Administrator, Chief of Police and the Animal Control Officer.

Alicia will check with the Town Administrator to determine if the funds appropriated to the Recreation Committee can be used on the Kent Way property.

Michael will meet with Town Counsel regarding signage at Central Street.

Michael will speak with Moriah to provide update on field house access issues.

Celine will continue to work on calendar and application.

Next meeting with be January 13th, 2020 at 6:00PM

Submitted by Mark Sandt, Clerk

Meeting was adjourned at 7:17PM after motion by mark and seconded by David B. and passed.