



**Newbury Recreation Committee  
Minutes: February 8<sup>th</sup>; 2021  
Virtual meeting Via Zoom  
Meeting number 84122927619**

**APPROVED**

- I. **Meeting Called: 6:06pm**  
Motion by David Dempsey, seconded Celine Muldowney, to call the meeting to order. Motion approved. Note, all votes were conducted by roll call. Michael Volpone, Chairman read the regulations regarding the conducting of a virtual meeting and the Open Meeting Laws
- II. **Members Present:** Celine Muldowney, David Broll, Mike Volpone, Dave Dempsey and Mark Sandt. Alicia Greco. Not present Council on Aging designee, Open Space Committee designee and high school representative. Guests: None
- III. Mark motioned, Celine seconded to approve the minutes of the previous meetings as written. Motion passed.
- IV. **Correspondences:** Michael reported that the Town Clerk requested that we complete the Conflict of Interest form soon, as they are due April 1<sup>st</sup>.  
Michael will report back under New Business the response from town Counsel regarding Port-A-Potties.  
A request for use of the Martha Pearson Field, by the By-Newbury Baseball-Softball organization was forwarded to the Committee.
- V. **Bill Schedule:**  
Bills from Townsend Oil and Byfield Water have been received.
- V. Old Business:  
Basketball Courts: Triton Youth Basketball asked that if their donation was not used by October 31st, 2021, that the funds be returned.  
At this time only two firms have responded to the RFP, one is not interested. The other will consider. 21 companies have been alerted to this request for proposals according to Chris Huntress. All RFP's are due February 18<sup>th</sup>, 2021

It is anticipated that the Select Board will vote on accepting funds ( from an anonymous donor and Triton Youth Basketball) for the Basketball Court tomorrow. Michael will represent the Committee.

Spring Schedule: Both Triton Youth Soccer and Georgetown Triton Youth Lacrosse permits have been approved. Discussion ensued regarding RUSH Northshore and Sphinx Soccer. Michael noted that RUSH, from from a business perspective would be the better Permit Holder as they would generate more money. Mark quipped that somebody will be unhappy with our decision. Michael proposed that RUSH have their requested hours approved and apologize to Sphinx. Mark seconded. Motion passed.

#### New Business:

Michael reviewed the contents of the opinion sent to the Committee by Town Counsel. Namely, if a bathroom facility was to be provided, it must be ADA accessible and that a license must be granted by the Select Board. Due to the ongoing health crisis, it was determined that it would not be in the best interests of the Town to open the Field House for restroom use. Maintaining social distancing would be problematic and the cleaning costs too high. Providing a Port-A-Potty would also be too expensive for the Committee. The Committee agreed that we would not object to any of the Permit holders in suppling a handicapped Port-A-Potty for the season.

#### Action Items.

Michael will notify all four applicates of the Committee decisions.

Alicia will discuss jurisdiction issue of Pearson Field with the Town Administrator.

All Committee members complete Conflict of Interest paperwork.

Committee, develop Master Plan for Central Street and Town Wide.

Next Meeting Scheduled for February 22st, 2020 via ZOOM\*. At 6:00pm. Meeting details will be posted at a later date. \*If the public meetings are still prohibited by the Governor's office, the meeting will be held virtually, via ZOOM.

Meeting Adjourned 7:05 pm. Motioned by Mark, seconded by David Broll; Motion Approved.