



**Park and Recreation Commission  
Town Hall, 126 Main St.  
Ware, Massachusetts 01082-1386**

### Minutes of the Park Commission Meeting

Date: January 9, 2023  
Place: Town Hall  
Present: Bill Imbier, John Piechota, Kim Swarts  
Excused: Ryan Mulligan

Guests: See Attached

#### **Minutes**

Approval of the minutes was tabled until the next meeting

#### **Carnival**

John Morrin attended the meeting to discuss holding the Carnival again this year. There was some discussion.

**IMBIER:** Motion to permit having the Veteran's Carnival at Memorial Field on June 22, 23, 24, 2023.

**SWARTS:** Second  
Approved

#### **Ware Youth Basketball**

Shauna Collett attended the meeting to provide a list of expenses for invoices, reimbursements and payments to referees.

**IMBIER:** Motion to spend from the Ware Youth Basketball Accounts in the amount Of \$7,884.

**SWARTS:** Second  
Approved

#### **Holiday Flair**

No report. Had positive feedback

#### **Skate Park**

Weather permitting there will be an opening day with vendors, etc. A special event form will need to be completed.

#### **Playground**

Construction is planned for early May. Flood lights, cameras will be installed. Trees will be removed and stumps ground out.

**Pool**

No report

**Park Grant**

Construction at Memorial Field will begin in July. Need to start obtaining bids/quotes.

**Pool**

The contamination was not as much as originally thought.

**5K Run**

No report. A special event form will need to be completed for the May 13<sup>th</sup> event.

**Pickleball**

Pickleball will be held at the Town Hall – evenings only. There will be a per player charge of \$5.00 to play. The equipment has been ordered and has been delivered. The Building Inspector would like to take a look at the area, since there are some concerns, i.e., old doors. Other concerns are how many people will be playing; who will have keys and who will lock up when finished.

**Updates from John Piechota**

A tree in Grenville Park is halfway on private property. There are concerns regarding damage to the property when it's removed. Some trees have come down during wind storms. Brush is being picked up.

John received an email from Luke Wright regarding a dam removal in Wheelwright at the Ware River north of Hardwick. There are concerns about any contaminants that could flow downstream.

Park crew is working on moving wood chips.

John reported that the budget season has just started.

There is a new sign in Veteran's Park. There is a concern that it was placed without input from the Park Department/Commission, who has jurisdiction over Veteran's Park.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm.

The next regular meeting of the Park Department will be February 6, 2022.

Bill Imbier \_\_\_\_\_

Kim Swarts \_\_\_\_\_

Ryan Mulligan \_\_\_\_\_