



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

### Minutes of the Park Commission Meeting

Date: December 3, 2018  
Place: Town Hall  
Present: Bill Imbier, John Piechota, Kim Swarts, John Morin  
Guests: See attached

The meeting commenced at 6:30 pm.

#### Skating Rink at Memorial Field

Representative for the project attend the meeting to provide an update on their progress. The tarp has been purchased and will be 85' by 110'. There was a discussion regarding placement of the rink, water source, entrances into the rink and how to figure the ice level. John Piechota will get a level from the Highway Department. Once the wood boards are in place and the tarp installed, they will be ready to fill as soon as the weather is cold enough, hopefully around the 15<sup>th</sup> of December. Bill Imbier asked how the rink will be used, once it is ready:

- open and free skating
- weekend events
- night skating
- Saturday hockey games

If night skating, there will be a fee for the lights. Bill also asked how the rink would be advertised.

- flyers
- banners
- signs at Big Y
- school marquee

John suggested placing a Sani-can at the location.

#### Playground Equipment

There was no representative from the Playground project to report. John P asked if the Commissioners were interested in using any of the old playground equipment from the old South Street School. The Commissioners declined.

#### Concert at Grenville Park - Summer of 2019

Bill Imbier talked with Roc Goudreau from Workshop 13. Roc has already booked the band Trailer Trash, and they will be performing at the Knights of Columbus, now the Shriners, this

coming summer. Bill asked Roc if he was interested in working with Park but has not heard from him. The conclusion was that the project would not go ahead this year.

#### **Park and Recreation Sponsored Activities**

There was nothing new to report, but John P suggested that the Commission advertise for Counselors in the paper. The activities would run only for two weeks since more than that amount of time requires lunch to be provided and nurses to be on hand.

#### **Bouregard Playground Sign**

The sign was ordered, but nothing new to report.

#### **Updates from John Piechota**

The beaver traps were set and someone tripped them. So far only two beavers have been caught.

Leaf removal and raking is done for now.

Some trees will need to be removed.

Roads will be closed soon.

John will be getting budget information from Stuart Beckley soon.

John mentioned the need for extra help and the money to pay them. Paul P hours were reduced to 15. Bill would like to get the hours back to 19. John would like to hire someone other than a senior citizen.

The Holiday Flair event had good number of people attending, but due to the cold weather, the numbers were not as good as other years.

John mentioned that with the selling of the South Street School, he and his crew will have less snow plowing do to.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm.

The next regular meeting will be January, 7, 2019 at the Ware Town Hall.

Nancy Dunn, Secretary