



Bolton Parks & Recreation Commission

Meeting Minutes

Date:	June 14th, 2022
Time/Location	7:00 p.m. Zoom Meeting
Commissioners Present:	Ed Sterling, Greg Kabachinski, Lauren LaRosa, Erika Mond, Mary Miskin & Lisa Shepple, coordinator
Guests:	
Next Meeting:	July 12 th , 2022

Agenda Items

	Agenda Item	Action
1.	Welcome new Commissioner Mary Miskin, already sworn in	
2.	Approve Minutes from June 14th, Meeting	Approved Unanimously
3.	Discuss event at Common in June – A game day was proposed for June 26 th , No one else was available to help plan and attend. Lisa is busy starting the summer programs the next day and doesn't have time to plan June event either and by herself.	
4.	Discuss event on August 28th – A Magician has been scheduled for that date, a \$100 down payment has been made to confirm the appearance. We discussed having the game day of June 26 take place on August 28 th , with hopefully a large crowd. Most families are likely back in town from summer vacations, and school is starting. Ed will check if Cultural Council money can cover his fee.	
5.	Discuss natural playground – Erika said Steve Schneider was a bit surprised to be called on to put up the spider web at the Common natural playground, but he has agreed to do it. Erika needs help putting down mulch in the play area, prior to the spider web being installed. Steve Schneider likely needs help installing the spider web. He has the rope currently. Erika will contact us when she is ready to put down mulch, and will get an installation date from Steve Schneider so we can help him. Ed will contact Steve Schneider to see if he can assist us.	
6.	Discuss new signs at properties – Ed and Lisa met with Chief Nelson and Lt. Hamburger. Chief said that we really cannot block access to Town properties by saying Bolton Residents Only because it is not legally enforceable. It is OK to put the phrase on a sign, as well as Police Take Notice, but it is open to challenge.	
7.	Discuss new playgrounds - Ed said that he met with the Board of Health and they have no set policy on recreation uses at the town septic field. I asked if they had any objections to passive recreation on the main field, with the understanding that	

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	vehicles cannot be driven on the field, nor can anything like a long stake be driven in the ground. They said if there was any doubt about a certain activity, to contact Bill Brookings, our Health Agent at the Ayer office.	
8.	Update on Summer Programs – Lisa said there are 370 people signed up so far, and of that, 50 are for the swim program. She is hiring an adult to help supervise the program, so that she does not have to manage it on a daily basis.	
9.	Discuss Long Range Plan – we reviewed some of the action items from the May 31 special meeting. A floating dock at Persons Park would be nice to have. We need to investigate DPWs role (if any) concerning the metal dock that has been there. We talked about the desire to have the Memorial Field playground, and the start on the natural playground at the Common.	
	Meeting ended at 8:35 PM	
	Items for next agenda • • •	
7.	Next Meeting: August 9, 2022, Tuesday, 7:00 pm	

Approved Meeting Minutes

Initials	<i>ES</i>	EM	GK	LL	MM
Commissioner	E. Sterling	E. Mond	G. Kabachinski	L. LaRosa	M. Miskin