



Bolton Parks & Recreation Commission

Meeting Minutes

Date:	Tuesday, March 12, 2019
Time/Location	7:00 p.m. Town Hall Upstairs Table
Commissioners Present:	Laura Roberts, Linda Herbison, Lauren Cilley, Tammy Ballard
Guests:	Ed Sterling, Hank Rauch, Boy Scouts, Martha Remington, Friends of Persons Park, Melissa Silen
Next Meeting:	Tuesday, April 2, 7:00 p.m.

Agenda Items

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1.	Approve Minutes from January 8, 2019 Minutes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minutes were approved 	
2.	Field and Event Requests <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Over the Hill soccer league would like to start Saturday games at 8:30 a.m. instead of 9:00 a.m. The Commission voted unanimously to approve this request. Laura will request a change in this policy by the Selectmen at their March 21 meeting. Tinkergarten would like to use the Common for paid classes. Laura is negotiating a fair fee for this activity. The Rotary would like to hold a winter carnival in 2020. The Commission liked this idea. They are considering getting an alcohol permit for this activity. Laura is working with them. Trinity Church plans to hold a National Day of Prayer gathering on the Common on May 2 A Nashoba student would like to hold a Doggie Day as a senior project to raise money for a dog-related charity. Laura is advising them on when and where to hold this. (For example, Easter Sunday morning is not a good choice.) 	<p>Laura will talk to the Selectment about changing the Sunday start time policy at Forbush field</p> <p>Laura will continue to work with Tinkergarten, the Rotary, and the Nashoba student on plans</p>
3.	Boy Scout Easement <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hank Rauch from the Mayflower Council of the Boy Scouts updated us on plans for Camp Resolute to update their septic system to bring it into compliance with current laws. Their proposed new system will require an easement across Bolton's Persons Park. Hank showed us maps and addressed our concerns of maintaining a usable beach and making this sturdy enough at the path to the water to allow pickup trucks to access the boat launch. Martha Remington reported that the Boy Scouts had two existing easements near the driveway that appeared to be unnecessary, and asked if we could clear these up at the same time to make it easier for her to get grants for the property. Hank has heard about these easements but he has been unable to find copies of them. Martha will look for copies and get them to Hank. Martha also expressed concern that some tent supports had been set up across the stone wall on town property. Hank said he would look into this and make sure it doesn't happen this year. The Commission agreed that we could support this plan as long as our concerns are addressed. Laura will send an email to the Selectmen stating this. Hank will ask the Selectmen to put this on the agenda for the May Town Meeting. 	Laura will email the Selectmen about P&R's support of the Boy Scout plan

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<p>4. Updates from Commissioners</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Budget: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Advisory will decide at their March 13 meeting whether to include the Parks & Rec part-time employee on this year's warrant. Laura and Lauren and possibly other Commissioners will attend this meeting. • .Property Updates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The Common currently has wifi. Beginning October 2019 this will cost \$100/month. Joe Lynch advised us of this and requested that Parks & Rec start covering this cost. The Commission did not think this was an appropriate use of our very limited funds, and will decline this request. • Event Updates <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Swim Lesson & Camp Registration will be held March 16. Linda and Macey MacAskill, our other swim teacher, will advise parents on which class to select for their students. B.J. Herbison and Laura and possibly others will assist with registrations. After the event we will evaluate whether combining our registration with the Marcus Lewis Camp and others is worth doing again. ○ The Easter Egg Hunt is scheduled for Saturday, April 20. Lauren will do the purchasing and get a group together to stuff the eggs. Linda will handle the food and drink. Laura will let Linda know how much coffee, cider, and Munchkins to order. Laura will contact the art teachers about doing a backdrop. Melissa Silen offered her assistance, and she will help stuff eggs and search for 8th graders willing to help hide eggs, corral children, play Easter Bunny, clean up, and possibly raise money for their trip by doing face painting. Lauren and others will investigate a craft to have the children work on between their 10 a.m. arrival and the 11 a.m. egg hunt. There will be no kazoo parade this year. ○ Tammy Ballard continues to work on the summer concert series. 	<p>Lauren and Laura will attend the March 13 Advisory meeting</p> <p>Laura will get back to DPW on our decision to not pay for wifi</p> <p>Linda, Laura, and possibly others will participate in the camp fair to sign up swimmers.</p> <p>The Commission will evaluate participation in this camp fair for next year</p> <p>All of us will work on getting ready for the Easter Egg Hunt, led by Lauren</p> <p>Tammy will continue to work on the summer concert series</p>
<p>6. Items for next agenda</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Finalize plans Easter Egg Hunt • Update on summer concert series • Plan roles & responsibilities for next year 	
<p>7. Next Meeting: Tuesday, April 2 7:00 pm</p>	

Approved Meeting Minutes

Initials					
Commissioner	K. Regan	L. Cilley	L. Herbison	L. Roberts	T. Ballard