

Town of Winchester/City of Winsted
Recreation Department
Regular Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, December 7th, 2022, 7:00 pm
Francis P Hicks Room

Board Members

Kurt Williams, Chairman	Allen Miller, Member
Diane Ransom, Vice Chairman	Joseph Lefkowski, Member
Jamie Duffy, Secretary,	Shayne Deschamps, Member
Tanya Risucci, Recreation Director	Timothy McGrane III, Member
Jonathan Morhardt, Selectman Liason	Bryan Sundie, Member
Kurt Root, Member	Elizabeth Whitney, Member
Brian Shaughnessy, Member	

1. Call to order

- 7:05 pm
- Members in attendance: Kurt Williams, Kurt Root, Shayne Deschamps, Tim McGrane III, Allen Miller, Diane Ransom, Brian Shaughnessy, Tanya Risucci
- Guests in attendance Jonathan Morhardt, Lance Hansen

2. Approval of Meeting Minutes 11/2/22

- Motion to accept Shayne Deschamps 2nd Allen Miller 6-0 Brian Shaughnessy abstained

3. Agenda Review

- Motion by Shayne Deschamps, 2nd Allen Miller 7-0

4. Public Comment

- Tanya R brought forward a concern from a Winsted Elks member, bringing to her attention that homeless people are living at Tatro's pond. As well as concerns about the lack of maintenance of the property. There was some discussion which led into agenda item 5.

5. Planning Dept: Lance Hansen: Tatros Pond

- Bryan Sundie arrived at 7:14 pm

- Lance believes the best way to help the crime at Tatro's pond is to add activities and get friends groups going
- A subcommittee from last year discussed adding a pavilion, a small playground, and some hiking trails
- The subcommittee will be reformed to continue the discussion on Tatro's pond. With the intent to add members as needed. Lance would like to be on the subcommittee as well.
 - Motion by Allen Miller 2nd by Shayne Deschamps 7-0.
 - More information to come

6. Chairman Report

- Thank you from the chairman for the year of service, and wishing everyone a happy new year as well as happy holidays.

7. Recreation Director Items

- Money transfer from 194 account transfer to 827 accounts of \$35,000 due to a grant covering summer camp expenses.
- Tanya presented information going over capital improvement projects for the 5-year plan
 - Fix up Reesha beach
 - Ryan field needs to add a concrete pad for new bleachers from the Gaylord Tiffany grant
 - The tennis courts need benches
 - Benches are needed for the dugout on Walker
 - Padding is needed on Walker
 - Privacy screen for the pitcher
 - Rowley batting cages
 - Walker Backstop repair
- Program updates
 - Basketball started programs are running well, some discipline issues occurred and were handled.
 - Using NWR7 for a couple of games, there is no charge from them.
- Barbara S from Pearson is using their gym for a drone activity, and we cannot use that gym that day.
- Kurt will email the WBOE, Superintendent, and Town Manager about this issue.
- The art program is going well.

8. Field Lighting Update

- RFP is prepared, and moving forward, we are asking for two submissions from companies, one with wood poles and one with metal. Funds will determine which option the town moves forward on.
- There was a discussion on reiterating the plan for lighting from the subcommittee

9. Officer Election 2022-2023

- Incumbent, Jamie Duffy for Secretary, 7-0
- Incumbent, Diane Ransom for Vice Chairman, vote 6-0 with Diane abstention
- Incumbent, Kurt Williams for Chairman, 6-0 with Kurt abstention

10. Old Business

Nothing discussed

11. New Business

Nothing discussed

12. Adjournment

Motion to 9:07 pm by Shayne Deschamps 2nd Allen Miller, 7-0