

Approved
Windham Recreation Committee Meeting
January 19, 2012

Present: Recreation Coordinator Cheryl Haas, Dennis Senibaldi, Ralph Valentine, Chris O'Neil, Tim Kelleher, Bill Brennan, Lynn Goldman, Barry Goldman, Glen Yergeau.

Excused: Mike Caruso, Bill Fidler, Selectmen Liaison Kathleen DiFruscia

Mr. Senibaldi called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm.

Minutes:

Ralph Valentine made a motion to approve the minutes of November 17, 2011 with changes noted (for Mr. Senibaldi and Mr. Yergeau to be excused, not absent), seconded by Barry Goldman, the motion passed 5-0-2. (Chris O'Neil and Bill Brennan abstained due to not being present at the meeting.)

Old Business:

Spruce Pond

Mr. Senibaldi, *as a citizen*, has submitted a petitioned warrant article for Town Meeting this year for Spruce Pond. Ms. Haas gave members of the Committee a copy of the warrant article. Mr. Senibaldi has asked the Committee for their support of the project, and would like a letter of support written from the Committee as a whole. Mr. Senibaldi explained that he went through the CIP process, being very thorough and specific. Unfortunately, the project did not receive high scores.

There was a lengthy discussion regarding this petition. Mr. Senibaldi shared the pricing quotes that he had received for the project (examples: PSNH, landscaping, etc.) The tax impact from this project on the town budget would be approximately \$45. The approximate cost of field maintenance (fertilization, mowing, etc) would be an additional \$4500-\$5,000 to the current landscaping contracts. Laura Scott, Director of Community Development, shared with the Committee that there are no additional approvals needed for this project from the Planning Board or ZBA, as long as no one deviates from the approved plan. She has the signed plans in her office and strongly recommends using them during the bid process if the project is approved. It was suggested to Mr. Senibaldi by Committee members to make sure that there are handouts available at the Deliberative Session on Saturday, February 11th.

Chris O'Neil made a motion to support the warrant article and to have Mr. Senibaldi, with the help of Ms. Haas, draft a letter; seconded by Bill Brennan, motion passed 6-1-0, with Mr. Kelleher opposing. Mr. Kelleher felt that the money should be spent on a turf field somewhere else. This draft letter will be emailed to Committee members for input, with the letter to be discussed for approval by the Committee at the February 16, 2012 meeting.

New Business:

Kick-Off 2012

There are several dates for programs for 2012. Mr. Senibaldi asked the Committee to take a look at the dates and to make an effort to attend as many as possible. The events/dates are:

February 11, 2012	Town Deliberative Session
February 11, 2012	Tickets on Sale for Dad/Daughter Dance
February 16, 2012	Recreation Committee Meeting
February 29, 2012	Planning Board Meeting (Master Plan)
March 22, 2012	Recreation Committee Meeting at Fire Station
March 23, 2012	Daddy Daughter Dance
March 31, 2012	Easter Egg Hunt
June 30, 2012	Town Day/Fireworks
October 13, 2012	Harvest Fest

Ms. Haas reported that the Windham Endowment may be doing a Fun Run on the morning of Town Day. Mr. Senibaldi informed the Committee that the Board of Selectmen has approved RS Fireworks as our fireworks vendor for Town Day.

Other

Mr. O'Neil asked if Scott Mueller from WBSL would be coming to a Recreation Committee meeting to discuss the trees at Rogers Field. It is the understanding of the Coordinator that Mr. Mueller will contact her to get on the agenda when he is able to attend to discuss the trees.

Barry Goldman made a motion to adjourn at 8:30 pm, Chris O'Neil seconded; the motion passed 7-0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cheryl Haas, Recreation Coordinator