

**Town of Chester  
Recreation Commission Meeting  
Monday, June 10, 2019  
Municipal Complex  
Approved Minutes**

**I. Preliminaries**

**1.1 *Call to Order***

Chairperson Trask called the meeting to order for the Town of Chester Recreation Commission (RC) at 7:40 PM.

**1.2 *Roll Call***

**RC members present:**

Michelle Trask, Chairperson  
Kevin Kistler, Vice Chairperson  
Maria Oakley  
Melinda Mafera

**RC members absent:**

Kendra Kearney  
Leslie Hammond  
Jeremy Owens, BOS Liaison

**Staff present:**

Corinna Reishus, Recreation Director

**II. Review and Approve Minutes from May 13, 2019 meeting**

The Commission reviewed the minutes from May 13, 2019.

Chair Trask motioned to accept the May 13, 2019 minutes as written. Vice-Chair Kistler seconded the motion. Ms. Mafera abstained. Motion approved 3-0-1.

**III. Reports**

**3.1 *Spring Hill Farm Advisory Committee (SHFAC)***

Ms. Oakley reported the Agricultural Commission held its Food Scaping event at Spring Hill Farm on Saturday.

A new Selectman Liaison will be chosen by the Board of Selectmen to replace Mr. Buckley.

Representatives are needed from Conservation Commission.

The Committee is working on its management plan, history, property layout and parking. The well on Lane Road may be filled in.

SHFAC met with the Selectmen on May 30<sup>th</sup> regarding the proposed land lease. The Committee is looking into renting fields to Dan Fournier for cattle, which will be fenced in, provided trails will be accessible to the public. The Selectmen are working with the attorney to review the proposed lease agreement and with Primex to review insurance. Mr. Fournier is willing to cooperate with events and the Summer Program. Ms. Reishus will follow-up once the lease/insurance are approved by the Town.

### **3.2     *Wason Pond Conservation and Recreation Commission (WPC&RC)***

Ms. Reishus advised Ms. Mafera's appointment as representative expires at the end of May and Ms. Hammond's in October. Ms. Mafera was unable to attend for a few months. Chair Trask expressed an interest in serving as representative, however she is unable to attend in July and August.

Ms. Reishus informed maintenance about beaver activity under the bridge at the beach. This needs to be addressed before the start of the Summer Program. Maintenance removes the debris and the beavers rebuild. Conservation Commission members are going to look into this. Ms. Reishus will follow up with John Dalrymple.

Ms. Reishus advised Chuck Myette resigned as Chair and WPC&RC will be voting on Chair and Vice-Chair at their next meeting.

Chair Trask noted the park ranger is doing very well and makes constant loops of the area. Ms. Reishus noted he is looking to put up a sign on the bridge to keep people from jumping into the water there.

## **IV.     **Old Business****

### **4.1     *Chester Baseball and Softball***

Ms. Reishus indicated there were some parking issues last month which police and highway department have addressed with additional signage. An email will go out to parents asking them to park in the large lot near the playground.

Ms. Reishus sent an email to update the Board concerning the work to be completed at Town Fields which include the pitcher's mounds and dugouts.

Ms. Reishus noted they would not be putting portables at Wason Pond as they have the right to put in a restroom, which is included in the CIP.

### **4.2     *Kid's Fishing Derby***

Ms. Reishus reported the 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Fishing Derby had 73 fishers. Last year there were 79-82. This is the 5<sup>th</sup> year with the Chester Police Department. Ms. Reishus thanked Chair Trask and Ms. Kearney for helping with registration.

#### **4.3 Soccer Camp**

UNH Soccer Camp will be held on the Town Fields from 4:30-7:30 PM during the week of August 5<sup>th</sup>. This is for ages 4-14. UNH is handling the registration. The registration fee of \$135 includes a t-shirt. Ms. Reishus has contacted UNH about insurance and updated registrations for Chester Academy and the address for out of town participants.

The Lions Club donated tickets for the 45<sup>th</sup> Annual Lions Twin State Soccer Cup Match, Vermont vs New Hampshire at the Castleton University in Castleton, Vermont on July 20<sup>th</sup>.

#### **4.4 Summer Program**

Ms. Reishus worked with Maintenance concerning cleaning of the buildings and is looking for volunteers to help paint the art room on Wednesday, June 19<sup>th</sup> at 5 PM. Terminix sprayed and fixed some holes last week and will return to follow-up before and after the program annually.

Registration ends this week. 59 have signed up so far. Last year there were 80.

1 <sup>st</sup> Grade	07	03 Half	04 Full	5 <sup>th</sup> Grade	05	01 Half	04 Full
2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade	05	02 Half	03 Full	6 <sup>th</sup> Grade	09	04 Half	05 Full
3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade	05	02 Half	10 Full	7 <sup>th</sup> Grade	08	05 Half	03 Full
4 <sup>th</sup> Grade	05	04 Half	07 Full	8 <sup>th</sup> Grade	01	01 Half	00 Full

Field trips have been scheduled for Candia Springs, the Fisher Cats, Mel's Funway and Chunky's Cinema. One more trip can be planned. Considering Vertical Dreams, Launch, Blitz, Roller skating, Bowling or Fort Foster.

### **V. New Business**

#### **5.1 Field Use – Fall Programs**

AAU Baseball wants to use the Town Fields Baseball Diamond for practices during the week and for games during the week and weekend. This is not a Chester dedicated team. Practices would be in August and games in September. This may conflict with soccer.

#### **5.2 Fiscal Year ended June 30, 2019**

Ms. Reishus indicated budget items were on track. The bark mulch was ordered, and the Gaga pit arrived. Funds not spent would be either encumbered by the Selectmen or lost at the end of June. Chair Trask noted there is one more meeting before June 30<sup>th</sup>. Grading and reseeding the field, MPR Netting, Floor Mats and Wall Pads were discussed. A batting cage or replacement netting was proposed for the gym which is used often in the Winter months, drainage at the Town Field or fence for Wason.

**VI. Adjournment**

**The next scheduled meeting is June 24, 2019 @ 7:30 PM.**

Chair Trask adjourned the meeting at 9:08 PM.

Respectfully submitted

Daniel Hoijer,  
Recording Secretary