

**Town of Chester
Recreation Commission Meeting
Monday, February 12, 2018
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 7:33 pm.

1.2 Roll Call

RC members present:

Michelle Trask, Chairperson
Leslie Hammond, Vice Chairperson
Kevin Kistler
Melinda Mafera
Maria Oakley
Rick Pike
Jeremy Owens- BOS Liaison

Staff present:

Corinna Reishus, Recreation Director

II. Review and Approve minutes from January 22, 2018 meeting.

The Commission reviewed the minutes from January 22, 2018.

Line 42 had "in" changed to "is." Line 111 had "Commissioned" changed to "Commission."

Chair Trask made a motion to accept the January 22, 2018 minutes as amended; Mr. Pike seconded the motion. Motion approved, 6-0-0.

III. Reports

3.1 Baseball

Ms. Reishus noted that she had sent a letter to the president of the Baseball League indicating that the Recreation Commission had agreed to hold off on the baseball field cutting until the fall.

IV. Old Business

4.1 Full Moon Winter Hike at Wason Pond on March 1st from 7:00 – 9:00 pm.

The Commission discussed whether to have the "Full Moon Hike" on March 1st or wait and have an impromptu hike when the weather cooperates.

Chairperson Trask said that she would want to have an impromptu hike if there is a big snowstorm.

The Commission agreed that they would discuss this event at the next meeting before they make a final

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56 **4.2 Basketball program update**

58 Ms. Reishus updated the Commission on the Rec. basketball program. She reviewed the teams that won
and lost, and what teams would be competing in play-off games.

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62 Ms. Reishus noted that there is some extra money in the basketball account because she did not buy
medals and trophies for each participant. She suggested that the extra money be used to fund the
Raymond Basketball competition that costs the team participants \$30 to register.

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The Commission agreed with the suggestion.

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4.3 Summer Program – June 25th to August 10th

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70 The Commission had much discussion about the Summer Camp program. Topics discussed included:
number of campers allowed in the program, allowing non-residents, increasing the cost of the camp for
half-day and full-day, swimming and lifeguards every day, field trips and in-house programming, and
continuing to allow four-year-olds in the program.

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74 The Commission agreed that kids in the program need to be entering first grade in the fall.

76 The Commission discussed the rates for the summer camp. They decided on the rates for the participants,
and agreed that the camp would be for kids going into first grade up to those going into eighth grade.

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80 The Commission agreed that non-residents are allowed for full-day only at \$575. They decided that \$185
for residents for half-day and \$475 for full-day would cover the costs of longer days (8-5), five days of
water front, t-shirts, and more in-house programming for the seven-week summer camp. They noted that
the discounts for siblings would stay similar to last year's cost.

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84 The Commission discussed registration dates and the best way to encourage people to sign-up early.

86 The Commission discussed the plans for the camp during forecasted bad weather and sudden or
unexpected bad weather or thunderstorms.

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V. New Business

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5.1 Review of the Wason Pond and Recreation Commission

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94 Mr. Kistler and Vice Chair Hammond gave the Commission an overview of the Wason Pond and Recreation
Commission meeting.

96 They noted that there was much interest from that Commission for a pavilion at Wason Pond.

98 Mr. Kistler suggested that the tap water in the Wason Pond buildings be tested before the summer
program. The Commission agreed with having the tap water tested.

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VI. Adjournment

102 Chairperson Trask adjourned the meeting at 9:15 pm.

104 Respectfully Submitted,
Recording Secretary,

106 Molly Qualters