

Whately Recreation Commission

Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, June 10th, 2020

Start @5:06 PM

Location: Join Zoom Meeting

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1. In Attendance: Wayne Hutkoski, John Bussard, Jon Edwards, Evan Horton, Chris Skroski, Shelley Yagodzinski, Justin Davis
2. John Bussard requested Whately Recreation approve the use of Herlihy for adult baseball practice. The proposal was presented with the idea that players would maintain social distancing and guests would not be allowed. There was also a proposal to use the fields for other types of practices in the future as an alternative for field space. This was something that Jon Edwards would bring to the town's executive body to ensure everyone is informed. Several operational items were discussed, and it appears the park is ready for use (running water, doors to the building operational, trash receptacles in place). The proposed idea would align with the Governors phase 2 plan for reopening. Jon Edwards mentioned arranging a schedule. Scheduling will be done at some point in the future and support the times requested.
3. Evan Horton presented next by asking if the Rec Commission would be open to allowing the soccer team to use the field. We reviewed the setup procedures conducted by Frontier Regional. The Rec Commission stated that "it is impossible to know what the reopening and social distancing will look like for sports in the future, but we (the Rec Commission) would be open to having a practice that would fall within the guidelines of state issued advisories." Evan indicated that he would come back when he has a clearer picture of what soccer practice and games would look like and make a request at that time.
4. Trophies were discussed and the idea is to use the public access way at the Whately Elementary School to hand trophies off to players and families as they pass by (a handoff). Jon Edwards expressed the need for wearing face masks and gloves while making the handoff. Details for this will be handled by Justin Davis and Shelley Yagodzinski after the meeting.

5. J Davis stepping down from Chair, looking for someone to take over. Many people were asked and it was stated that this job can take some time during registration and banquet, but for the new person coming in this might be a perfect time to make the system better by working on newsletters and re-routing our Facebook page.
6. Meet concluded at 5:56pm