

# Recreation Committee Meeting

Tuesday December 19, 2017 at 3:00 PM at the Town Office

## Agenda:

1. Add/Delete items to the agenda & approve agenda.
2. Recreation Committee Members: Larry Courcelle (2021), Jim Reddy (2020), Betsy Reddy (2019), Dave Gleed (2020) Leo Lawrence, *member emeritus*
  - a. Other suggested members by the Selectboard are Liam Fracht-Monroe & Chad Galiano
3. Field Mowing – the Town has changed a part time road crew position into a fulltime position with two job descriptions 1. Highway Maintenance & Equipment Operator and 2. Buildings and Grounds Maintenance. This position was filled by Chad Galiano. Chad will be doing all the town mowing which includes the mendon Recreation Area. The Selectboard would like to thank Liam Fracht-Monroe.
4. Recreation Area Status
  - a. Dugouts – the staining of the dugouts were completed Fall 2017. Dave Gleed started the project and it was completed by town staff, Chad Galiano.
  - b. Playground Equipment – Chad also stained the playground equipment Fall 2017
  - c. Two shed – One is for storing maintenance equipment and only town staff have access to this shed. The second is for storing recreation equipment and outdoor furniture. This shed is accessible by coaches that use the field with the BYOC or the summer Rutland Little League Program.
  - d. The basketball hoop that was purchased as part of the Recreation Area Improvement Project in 2011-2012 was installed by town staff in 2017.
5. Recreation Area Projects
  - a. Trail Maintenance
  - b. Basketball Court Surface
  - c. Parking Area Maintenance
  - d. Outdoor Furniture – take inventory & consider anchoring benches within mulch area, some picnic tables were no longer usable. Consider moving bench on hill (can't see home plate since dug outs were constructed)
  - e. New wood chips for playground
6. Budget 2017-2018 and changes for 2018-2019 proposed budget – Recreation has had multiple line items in the budget:
  - a. Recreation Fund FY17 & FY18 funded at \$1,000 per year and has a balance of about \$10K
  - b. Field Maintenance FY17 \$2,500 (maintenance and mowing), FY18 \$200 (small maintenance/repair projects only), Buildings and Grounds \$6,720 (pays for all town mowing/building maintenance)
  - c. Recreation Programs & BYOC –FY17 & FY18 \$3,500 (\$1,000 programs & \$2,500 BYOC)

7. Family Events – In the past the Recreation Committee has sponsored a fishing derby or worked with the Mendon Historical Society to host a town picnic. Other suggestions received by the town is to host a town-wide garage sale at the Recreation Field.
8. BYOC & Rutland Summer Little League – These two organizations have permission to use the field. BYOC's program ends at the end of June and Rutland's program (many Barstow kids participate) is July & August.
9. The Selectboard supports the promotion of and increase use of the Recreation Area.