

**Parks and Recreation Commission  
Regular Meeting  
Marlborough Senior Center  
Monday, March 13, 2023  
7:00 PM**

*Minutes are considered “draft minutes” until approved at the following meeting*

**1. Call to Order**

Barbara Lazzari called the meeting to order at 7:06 PM. Present and seated were Louise Concodello, Kendra Montstream and Kim Irizarry.

Also present: Ray Bull, Parks and Recreation Director

**2. Additions to the Agenda**

No additions to the agenda

**3. Acceptance of Minutes**

February 13, 2023

Louise Concodello made a motion to approve the February 13, 2023 minutes as presented. Kim Irizarry seconded the motion.

Motion passed: 4-0-0

**4. Public Comments – limit of 3 minutes per comment**

None

**5. New Business**

**5.1 Bath House Renovations**

The bathhouse will be renovated this year. ARPA funds will be used. The project will include new toilets, sinks, flooring, partitions, ceilings with vents, lighting, fixtures, plantings in front of building and locked storage area for kayaks.

**5.2 Tennis Court Renovation**

The bid deadline for tennis court renovations is April 10, 2023. The Pickle Ball lines will be painted a different color from the tennis lines. Ray Bull is looking into purchasing Pickleball nets.

**6. Old Business**

**6.1 2023-2024 Budget**

Ray Bull reported the budget was presented and well received. The budget will next go to the Board of Finance and Board of Selectmen.

**7. Reports – Director’s Report**

Ray Bull reported the following:

Spring program registration has begun. Information on programs has been sent to schools, press releases, social media and the program list was in the Rivereast.

Our summer staff is starting to take shape. As of today, 8 lifeguards, 4 camp counselors, 2 park supervisors and 2 seasonal maintainers have committed to returning. I will be looking to hire 2 camp counselors and 2-4 lifeguards. I will be advertising for these positions on the CRPA website, RHAM high school, state colleges, local papers and social media.

**Parks and Recreation Commission  
Regular Meeting  
Marlborough Senior Center  
Monday, March 13, 2023  
7:00 PM**

*Minutes are considered “draft minutes” until approved at the following meeting*

The Easter egg hunt will be held on Saturday, April 1<sup>st</sup> from 11am – 12 pm. There is no rain date for this event. If it rains, we will have the Easter bunny at the pavilion for pictures and to hand out filled eggs, goody bags and bunny ears. Anyone who would like to help set up the eggs for the hunt is welcome to join the fun!

Pavilion rentals have started to come in for the summer months. We have 46 kayak/canoe slips rented as of today. The kids fishing derby is tentatively scheduled for Sunday, May 7<sup>th</sup> from 9-11 am.

He received one order for a 911 sign.

**8. Correspondence**

No correspondence

There was discussion regarding the Gathering on the Green event. The Commission noted they get comments every year that the line for Santa takes too long. Discussed creating a Santa out of wood that kids can stand in front of for another photo opportunity. Barbara Lazzari will look into finding someone to paint Santa's image. Discussed the order of events. The commission would like to have Santa light the tree as soon as he arrives. This will allow lighting in the area as it is dark without the tree lit. In addition, families can take photos in front of the lit tree. Discussed having someone lead Christmas carols. Fireworks should begin as Santa is leaving. Discussed including the Fire Department in ongoing discussions about the event.

**9. Public Comments-Limit of 3 minutes per comment**

No public comments

**10. Adjournment**

**Barbara Lazzari made a motion to adjourn at 8:15 PM and Kim Irizarry seconded. All were in favor.**

**Future Meetings: Parks and Recreation Commission meeting April 10, 2023**

Respectfully Submitted,

Debbie Pearson, Board Clerk