

**Parks and Recreation Commission  
Regular Meeting  
Marlborough Senior Center  
Monday, May 8, 2023  
7:00 PM**

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**1. Call to Order**

Barbara Lazzari called the meeting to order at 7:06 PM. Present and seated were Louise Concodello, Kim Irizarry, Kendra Montstream, Sarah Stock and Dave LeJeune. Also present: Ray Bull, Parks and Recreation Director

**2. Additions to the Agenda**

No additions to the agenda

**3. Acceptance of Minutes – March 13, 2023 and April 10, 2023**

**Barbara Lazzari made a motion to accept the March 13, 2023 minutes as submitted. Louise Concodello seconded. All voted in favor.**

**Louise Concodello made a motion to accept the April 10, 2023 minutes as presented. Barbara Lazzari seconded. All voted in favor.**

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

None

**5. New Business**

**5.1 Summer Programs**

Discussed under Director’s Report

**5.2 Summer Staff**

Discussed under Director’s Report

**5.3 Marlborough Day**

Barbara Lazzari attended a preliminary meeting regarding Marlborough Day which was scheduled for August 27<sup>th</sup>. They are working on getting vendors and will have a variety of food. Louise Concodello noted she attended an Economic Development Commission meeting and the Chair, Jillian LaCaresse, is interested in the event and will be informed of the next planning meeting.

**6. Old Business**

**6.1 Bathhouse**

Ray Bull reported the bid will go out in the next 2 weeks. The handicap restroom can be used when the regular restrooms are being updated.

**6.2 Tennis Court Renovations**

Ray Bull reported Constatine Paving won the bid. The cost came in higher than anticipated. P. Hughes looking for additional fund sources. The tennis courts will be done first. If additional funds become available the basketball court will also be done. Pickleball lines will be painted on the tennis courts in a different color from the tennis lines. Pickleball nets have not been ordered yet. Once purchased, they will be stored in the shed each night.

**7. Reports – Director’s Report**

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Ray Bull reported the following:

Registration is ongoing for our summer programs. We have had a very good registration season. Many of our summer programs are filling up fast.

Lake preparation is going well. The triathlon series will begin on June 15<sup>th</sup>. Triathlons will be held every other Thursday night until July 27<sup>th</sup>. On Saturday, August 12<sup>th</sup> an Olympic event will be held at the lake. A swim race will also be held at the park on Sunday, June 11<sup>th</sup> at 8am. Pavilion rentals have been coming in and are starting to fill. The lake will be open to the public on Memorial Day weekend.

The 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Kid's Fishing Derby at the Lake was held this past Sunday, May 7<sup>th</sup>. We had 18 kids participate in the derby. The winners received trophies and a \$25.00 gift card for their achievements. Ben Anderson won prizes for first fish and most fish caught. Liam Wallace won the prize for smallest fish caught. James Lejeune won the prize for biggest fish caught. We were able to purchase trophies, gift cards and supplies for the event because of a \$200.00 donation to the event from Dave LeJeune. Thank you to Dave for donating to the event.

The 6<sup>th</sup> grade dance will be held at MES this Friday, May 12<sup>th</sup> from 6:30pm-8:30 pm. DJ Dale will be returning to keep the kids moving with music and fun competitions throughout the night. There will be refreshments for all the 6<sup>th</sup> graders who attend. I am looking for volunteers to help with chaperoning. Please have any parents or students who might be interested in volunteering contact me.

The summer concert series will begin on June 22<sup>nd</sup>. All concerts will be at Blish Park on Thursday at 6pm. There will be 6 concerts in the concert series this year. We will be collaborating with the library to hold a children's concert on Thursday, July 20<sup>th</sup>. The concert schedule is as follows:

Thursday, June 22<sup>nd</sup>-Sideways (Modern Country)  
Thursday, July 6<sup>th</sup> – Windham Concert Band (Big Band)  
Thursday, July 20<sup>th</sup> – Judy Pancoast (Children's Concert)  
Thursday, August 3<sup>rd</sup> – Nightshift (Classic Rock)  
Thursday, August 24<sup>th</sup> – Seat of Our Pants (Folk)  
Thursday, August 31<sup>st</sup> – The Daily Planet (Classic Rock)

The Lions Club around the lake road race will be held on Sunday, May 28<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am. Playground Mulch will be added to the playscape area.

Summer Staff: Ray Bull reported 4 Camp Counselors, 8 lifeguards, the Park Maintainer and Gordon for field maintenance have committed to returning this season. He has more interviews this week so should be in good shape.

Louise Concodello questioned if a program can be started for learning computer programs such as Excel. Ray Bull agreed if an instructor can be found.

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**8. Correspondence**

No correspondence

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

No public comments

**10. Adjournment**

**Barbara Lazzari made a motion to adjourn at 7:33 PM and Kim Irizarry seconded. The motion was passed.**

**Future Meetings:**

**Parks and Recreation Commission meeting June 12, 2023**

Respectfully Submitted,

Debbie Pearson, Board Clerk