

Burrillville Recreation Commission

Minutes - Regular Meeting

6:30 pm – Monday, February 13, 2023

DPW Offices 200 Clear River Drive, Oakland, RI 02830

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm

Members Present: Greg Devlin, Anne Brown, Joe Risho, Cliff Boulet, Sharon Davies

Members Absent: none

Members Excused: Terri Reis, Andrea Banks

Guests: none

Acceptance of January 9, 2023 minutes: Ann Brown made a motion to approve which was seconded by Joe Risho. The vote in favor was unanimous.

Correspondence: none

Good and Welfare: No trash delay for Presidents Day

Old Business:

Report on Recreation Program Information given by Andrea Hall:

Preparations are underway for the Easter Bunny event. Valentine's Day meals were distributed to seniors.

Report on Parks/Recreation Areas: Andrea gave an update on the recreation areas.

The Recreation Department is looking into expanding the skate park to include another pickleball court as well as relining the tennis courts at BMS to accommodate pickleball.

New Business:

RIRPA Meeting update: Sharon Davies gave an update on the topics discussed at the February 9th special meeting. The Director from East Greenwich asked for policies and fee schedules from each Town to be compiled into one PDF. Other topics discussed were the priority order for reserving fields; pickleball vs. tennis use; and the problems associated with dogs being walked on the fields.

Development of a Town Recreation Map: Andrea asked if anyone would be interested in helping to create a map of all Town recreation areas including trails.

Recreation Department Program Spreadsheet: Andrea mentioned that Carol is working on a comprehensive spreadsheet to include all Recreation Department activities and classes as well as stats on attendance. This will be posted online for resident information and will also be a useful tool in applying for grants.

Andrea requested that the Recreation Committee members research other cities/towns and provide suggestions as to new programs/classes that we can offer. DEM offers several classes many of which are free.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Ann Brown and seconded by Cliff Boulet. The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 pm

Next meeting date: Monday, March 13, 2023 at DPW Offices, 200 Clear River Drive, Oakland, RI 02830

Minutes submitted by Sharon Davies