

Town of Newburgh
Parks Board
Minutes August 4, 2016

Members Present:

Mary Ann Wilsbacher, Matt Timmel, Kevin Reine, Wanda Kavanaugh

Administrative Present:

Christy Powell, Town Manager; Attorney Raymond Dudlo, Legal; Stacie Krieger, Council Liaison

Members Absent:

Ron Keller

Citizens Present:

Judy Griffin

Charles Burggrabe

Minutes:

Wanda Kavanaugh made a motion to approve the minutes from July 7, 2016.

Kevin Reine seconded the motion.

Minutes were approved.

Petitions and Comments from Citizens Present:

Judy Griffin

Mrs. Griffin made a presentation about her love for table tennis and the benefits of it. She expressed a desire to donate outdoor tennis tables to the town. The board asked about the materials and size. They discussed accessory equipment and how it would be handled. Mrs. Griffin stated that some merchants in the area have committed to renting the paddles and balls out as well as the library. One would be placed under the shelter at Lou Dennis Community Park and the other somewhere at the Lock and Dam Park. They will not be dealing with the accessory equipment at this time. People would need to bring their own paddles and balls.

Wanda Kavanaugh made a motion to recommend to Council accepting two tennis tables for the Parks Department.

Kevin Reine seconded and the motion carried.

Charles Burggrabe from 408 Park Drive

Mr. Burggrabe asked about the repairs to the fence. Ms. Powell thought the section had already been repaired. He asked about other broken parts of the fence. Ms. Powell stated she would have Building Maintenance repair the fence immediately.

Mr. Burggrabe asked about the signage requested from the last park meeting. He was not aware the stop sign had already been placed at the corner of the Fortress of Fun and Park Drive. He requested more directional signs for pool parking.

Mary Ann Wilsbacher made a motion to place a directional sign (a right arrow stating Pool and Park Parking) at the corner of the parking lot for the pool and Park Dr.

New Business:

The Board discussed its role in managing payment for law enforcement patrols for the parks and on the Rivertown trail. Mrs. Kavanaugh moved to suspend the Board's involvement and for the Town Council to reassign that duty. After discussion, Mrs. Kavanaugh withdrew the motion and the Board agrees to take up the issue at a later time after having all pertinent facts.

The Board requested budget information. Mrs. Powell stated she will get them their revenues and expenses year to date for the next meeting.

REPORTS:

Town Council Liaison:

Stacie Krieger stated there is no report from the last Town Council meeting.

Pool Report:

Mrs. Powell stated the pool will be closed Sunday and her and staff have several ideas for changes for next year. They will get them together and present them at the next meeting.

Fundraising Committee:

Mrs. Wilsbacher presented some ideas for possible fundraising events. The first being a ‘Newburgh Ninja Warrior’. She spoke with the owner of Elite Air who helped with building the Fortress of Fun and he stated that he would be willing to assist in putting the obstacle course together at the Fortress of Fun or to host the event at his facility. Mrs. Wilsbacher thought they could charge an entrance fee for each participant and sell tickets to the public to watch the event. Her second idea was to hold a ‘Tiny Triathlon’ which would involve walking, biking, and swimming on a small child scale. Again there would be a fee charged to enter and tickets sold to watch the event. Concessions and T-shirts might also be sold. The Board will continue to brainstorm ideas.

Rivertown Trail:

No Report

Rivertown Trail 5K:

No Report

PARK AREA REPORTS

Lou Dennis:

No Report.

Old Lock and Dam Park:

Matt Timmel asked that the signs be replaced on the Boat Dock that state “No swimming from dock” and “no fishing from dock”. Mrs. Powell stated she will take care of it.

Lockmaster Cottages:

Kevin Reine stated there were limbs down by the picnic tables and branches that need to be trimmed. The west house sidewalk was full of debris.

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Wanda Kavanaugh – No Report

Unfinished Business:

None

Discussion:

Mary Ann Wilsbacher made a motion to adjourn.

Kevin Reine seconded and the motion carried.

Next Meeting will be **September 1, 2016** at 6:00 pm.

Mary Ann Wilbacher

President

[Signature]

Recorder