TOWN OF HARWINTON RECREATION COMMISSION SPECIAL MEETING MONDAY, MARCH 2, 2015 HARWINTON TOWN HALL

Members Present: Michael Flowers, Darren Brown, Sabrina Janco, John Goodno, Wayne Delmonte Also Present: Suzanne Stich, Recreation Director

Meeting called to order by Chairman, Michael Flowers at 7:02 pm.

Minutes of the last meeting were accepted on a motion by W. Delmonte, second by D. Brown, so moved.

Director Report by Suzanne Stich:

The use of remote controls at the Sports Complex was discussed. Motion by W. Delmonte to not allow use of any remote controlled devices at the Sports Complex, second by S. Janco, motion passed unanimously.

The tennis courts located at the Conservation/Recreation Area were discussed. Members considered the current condition of the courts, their location and cost to repair vs. the cost to build new courts. It was agreed to move the courts near the Town Hall/Sports Complex and investigate alternative uses for the courts at the Conservation Area. One suggestion was an enclosed dog park.

S. Stich reported that she and John Goodno, who is also a member of the Conservation Commission, met in January with members of the Northwest CT New England Mountain Biking Assoc. (NEMBA). Their group is willing to assist the Town by constructing multi-use trails at the Conservation/Recreation Area, Wilcox Park, and other town owned open space properties. The Recreation Commission supports NEMBA in making trails so that these areas can be enjoyed for hiking, biking and cross country skiing.

Programs currently running are: Five different fitness classes for adults each week, Adult Volleyball, Adult Basketball. Currently for kids: Dance, Karate, Games. Additional youth programs scheduled for March and April are Archery, Babysitter Training, Golf and Bowling.

Also scheduled are: March 28-Annual Easter Egg Hunt, April –Annual Fishing Derby, May 2-Super Saturday. Volunteers are needed!

Copies of the Recreation Commission's Annual report were distributed.

Chairman Report by Michael Flowers:

Commission member terms have expired for M. Flowers and W. Delmonte. Motion by S. Janco to recommend the Board of Selectmen reappoint Michael Flowers and Wayne Delmonte to serve another term, second by D. Brown, so moved.

The budget request for the Recreation Commission for fiscal year 2015-2016 was distributed for review. Recreation Director's salary was discussed. Motion by D. Brown to increase Director's pay to \$25/hour, second by J. Goodno, so moved.

No requests to use fields at the Sports Complex have been received.

HYSA Report by Wayne Delmonte:

Two new sets of bleachers have been assembled by the Town Crew and are ready to be installed at the Sports Complex as soon as the weather permits.

Little League Opening Day is scheduled for Saturday, May 2. This year Harwinton will play in a league with teams from Burlington and Canton.

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 pm on a motion by John Goodno, second by Darren Brown, so moved.

Respectfully submitted,

Suzanne R. Stich

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