

## **Minutes for 12.12.22**

Meeting started at 6:05pm.

Present: Hilary, Jason, Jason, Ed, Christa via zoon, Christa left at 6:35pm

Surprise: from Lauri Mikusa, Brooke Wilkinson, Rebecca Sibel - Came into the meeting to let us know about the Ned Coffin Community Building Award, which was awarded to the Recreation Board for 2022.

- Open Red Barn dates - one more this weekend, Leslie is doing it
- Red Barn lock - Hilary will buy a new one. Only Rec Board members will have the combo. Others will need to communicate with a rec board member to get in. Certain organizations that use the red barn for storage may also have a contact who uses the combo.
- Pocket Park update - Anne has put things to bed for the winter, pruning trees and the garden plaque are delayed until spring. Dave is working on winterizing the lawn mower. Anne is looking for potential funding via the Newton Fund, Anne will come up with ideas for the Rec Board that may be able to be funded.
- Storage of skate-park equipment over the winter - Hilary will move items behind the storage shed before the expected snow this weekend, and work to move them over to the shed by the baseball field for winter storage.
- Rec Board's contribution for SNSP (Strafford Nordic Ski Program). The SNSP is a new nordic ski program similar to the Friday downhill Newton program for Strafford kids through 8th grade. Jason moved to have the Rec Board contribute \$500 to fund the purchase of cross country ski equipment for the SNSP, This includes skis, boots and poles. Unanimously approved.
- Pickleball lines and nets on tennis courts - discussion about how/when to paint lines. Ed will do more research on lines and also try to get the tennis court resurfacing to actually schedule repairs and whether we need the entire surface to be redone and lines repainted.
- Earmark funds from 2022 budget to be spent in 2023 - spend \$ on purchasing frisbee golf holes/baskets, start with 3-4 to live at Murray Field. - decision/vote tabled to next meeting. Hilary will investigate options for next meeting. Also we need to put an extra budget \$ into reserve account for red barn and tennis court maintenance next year, since that have been put off for several years
- 2023 Budget Requests - request for level funding
- Ice skating possibilities - no official town rink on Murray field due to lack of volunteers.
- Murray Field portolet & water fountain follow up - water fountain is off and no response from portolet company. Hilary may have a cell # to contact.
- Dance classes sponsored by Rec Board

- Proposed wonder about having afterschool classes with local dance instructor. Gets too complicated with insurance and independent contractor and insurance. Could approach erin Yunger re: One Planet offering or rent out barrett hall as an independent person and accept donations.
- Future discussions: skatepark, pickleball lines/tennis court resurface, new recreational ideas for any surplus
- Next meeting 1/9 at 6pm at JMH.

Meeting adjourned at