MENDON RECREATION COMMITTEE MEETING Tuesday, April 10, 2018 5:00 p.m. at the Mendon Town Office

MINUTES (DRAFT)

Attending: Chad Galiano, Betsy Reddy, Jim Reddy, Sara Tully

The meeting was called to order at 5:05 p.m.

The item "Committee Reorganization" was added to the Agenda, but then tabled to the next meeting.

Basketball Court: General consensus was that a half court is preferred to a full court. Detailed discussion was tabled to the next meeting so more accurate cost/expense information can be obtained.

Playground Equipment & Inspection: Staining the equipment began last fall and will be completed this spring. We will consider re-staining the equipment in Summer 2019 as VLCT recommends it on a yearly basis. Regarding the wood chips base, we will stir up the material that is there, and add approximately 5 yards of new wood chips with the goal of a total 12" depth covering.

Trail Maintenance: Last fall Jim cut and removed fallen branches. This spring he'll do the same (with the help of Larry if available).

Parking Area Maintenance: Betsy will contact Barstow School principal to request the bus turn-around be at the end of South Mendon Road, as it always was until this year. Concern is that with thawing and softer grounds, the bus will dig up the parking area too much. Beyond that issue, the Committee defers to the Road Crew and/or Building and Grounds Crew to determine maintenance needs for the parking area.

Outdoor Furniture: With the exception of a deteriorated picnic table that will be disposed of this spring, two good picnic tables, 3-4 Adirondack style chairs and a bench were stored over the winter and are in good condition.

The Committee reviewed the budget and reserve funds presented by Sara Tully, Town Administrator.

Family Events: The Planning Commission is organizing a town-wide barbecue on June 9. Betsy will contact Teri Corsones to ask how the Recreation Committee can help, perhaps with family/kid friendly activities like a scavenger hunt, corn hole boards, horse shoes, etc. We also discussed the possibility of a town-wide garage sale in August; a notice would be included in the tax bill mailing (late June). Residents would hold their garage sale at their homes with a map of participating homes posted on the town website; residents whose homes are further out on Route 4 would have the option of bringing their items to the Recreation Area.

BYC and Rutland Little League: The Selectboard is coordinating the field use schedule for these two organizations, as there is significantly heavier use of the field now that the two overlap. Last summer was the Little League's 1st season using the field.

The next meeting of the Mendon Recreation Committee is Tuesday, June 5 at 5:00 p.m. The meeting adjourned at 5:42 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted, Betsy Reddy, Clerk