

Minutes of Warren Parks and Recreation Commission meeting held September 25, 2023 at the Warren Town Hall.

Present: Don Murphy, Director

Kathy Andreasen

David Schneiderbeck

Ruth Schnell

The meeting was called to order at 6:34 p.m.

MINUTES

On motion by Dave, seconded by Ruth the Board approved the minutes of August 28 with a correction to the number of spaces in each kayak rack, which should be 6.

WARREN TOWN BEACH

Don Murphy reported that Warren Beach saw a safe summer. He said the Commission should discuss ways to incorporate a water feature to attract young children. Dave said he wants to add a third kayak rack. He will see what supplies he needs. Adding another rack will bring the total spaces to 18. On motion by Ruth, seconded by Kathy the Commission voted to authorize Dave to install a third kayak rack at Warren Town Beach to meet the demand. Don said the Warren Town Beach is a beautiful asset for townspeople and hopes they will take advantage of it in the fall.

TRIPS AND PROGRAMS

Don said the town had a “fantastic” summer with great trips and much fellowship. He said many events were only possible due to collaborations with other towns. Fall Programs include Mah Jong and Bend and Stretch classes and he thanked the teachers. He said he is looking to join with another town for more Mah Jong players but needs a bus or van to transport players. Upcoming trips include a trip to Salem Massachusetts on October 22 and a trip to watch balloon inflation for the Macy’s Thanksgiving Day parade on November 22.

WARREN WOODS

It was noted that the fence at Warren Woods needs repair. Don reviewed the tribute bands who performed this summer. The Commission discussed the need for a platform in front of pavilion for performers.

CIDER RUN

The annual Cider Run event will take place on Saturday, October 21. Kirby had sent a memo stating that the Land Trust will be cooking hot dogs and there will be a Family Fun Day at

Warren Woods in conjunction with the Cider Run. The Commission may need a special meeting to over details.

HOLIDAY ON THE HILL

Don said planning will soon commence for the annual Holiday on the Hill celebration. He will be ordering aprons for the kitchen staff.

PICKLEBALL

Don said a pickleball league has been created with Morris and Litchfield, and it will be ready to play in spring. There is also a Litchfield Hills travel basketball and K-5 program.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion by Ruth, seconded by Dave, the Committee voted to adjourn at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen Andreasen