

**Town of Rowe Park Commission
Meeting Minutes
April 7, 2025, 5:00 PM
Location: Town Hall Meeting Room #1**

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 5:06 PM by Laurie Pike.

Attendance:

- Laurie Pike (Park Commissioner)
- Walter Quist (Park Commissioner)
- Justine Krumm (Acting Park Commissioner)
- Briel Gibson (Park Manager)

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes:

A motion was made by Laurie Pike to approve the minutes from the March Park Commission meeting.

- Motion seconded by Justine.
- Roll Call Vote:
 - Laurie: Yes
 - Justine: Yes

Agenda Items:

1. Review the new signage for the park courts, lifeguard chair, and entrance.

Reviewed by Laurie and Justine, changes were made, and proofs were approved.

2. Review RDA request to submit to the CC.

Suggestion was made to attend Wednesday CC meeting to introduce draft RDA. Briel to email Ramon current proposal for review.

3. Summer Youth Employment recruiting and training.

Reviewed Saturday event and turn out. Reviewed applicants, budget and potential residents still interested. Briel reached out to last year's lifeguards and discussed season start dates. Commission reviewed other positions open at the park, Rec Director still needed.

Justine suggested doing online CPR/First Aid training for cost reduction. Justine will investigate other training options.

Discussed other trainings like intro to trail work, safety around equipment, incident reporting ect.

4. Discuss progress on Woodlands Partnership grants present and future. Also, discuss MVP grant for the Operation Plan for Davis Mine area.

Old growth booklet is on revision 8 and will have final look through with Andrea Friday at 1:30.

Briel will order the boxes for the booklets.

Grant extension was given for portions of the project requiring implementation post-harvest.

Discussed signs and displays for Davis mine project, confirmed that portion of the project has been postponed until FY 2026.

Briel will RSVP for April 16 informational session for WP grant round. May 15 due date for grant application.

Commission discussed projects for proposal. Laurie would like to see invasive species management as outlined in the MVP and OSRC plans.

Walt asked for the cost scope for this project, Briel confirmed for municipalities filing independently have a grant max of \$25,000.

Justine will speak to trout unlimited on what they might be able to offer for invasive species identification, the park commissions will reach out to who they know for ideas on surveys.

5. Goal Post article for next month possible reminders of some summer use rules.

3 people have reached out for space on the boat rack, nobody has removed their boats yet. Last month's topic was how to book picnic reservations. Suggested next article announcing new passes are in and a final notice to remove boats.

Walt suggests posting notices about boats and stickers at the refuse garden and library.

6. Review revisions to the rules and regulations.

Rules on cigarettes and alcohol were reviewed and confirmed.

7. Any unforeseen business within the last forty-eight hours of posting.

Briel will post a picture to the goalpost of kayaks/canoes reminding people to remove their boats.

Claudine gathered tree measuring tools for hemlock monitoring, Justine will pick up from the school. Laurie will set up a training session with Alex from Longview Forestry.

Land proposed to be purchased by the OSRC to be titled under the conservation commission and managed by the park commission. Discussion of management plans for this parcel, and other parcels that may be beneficial to acquire.

Discussed the cliff swallow houses on the town hall, potential to invite Mara Silver for an educational event on the bird houses.

Adjournment:

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Laurie Pike at 7:10 PM.

- **Motion seconded by Justine Krumm.**
- **All members were in favor, and the meeting was adjourned.**