

Town of Rowe
Park Commission Meeting
December 3, 2019
Town Hall

Attendance: Laurie Pike, Sue Williams, Chris Hyytinen (Park Commissioners) and Sean Loomis (Park Manager).

Approval of November 6, 2019 meeting notes.

Old Business:

1. Discussion of whom is responsible for updating the Town Website and the need to contact that person to make sure that Park Meeting Minutes and Agendas are up-to-date and posted on the website.
2. Need for signage at the entrance to promote Park programs. Ask Selectpersons where the Town Hall sign was purchased.
3. Discussed wages for summer employees and the minimum wage increase to \$12.75 an hour. It was decided that the AR Class IV (youngest workers) would start at \$12.75 and wages would increase in increments from there for the rest of the summer positions with years of experience and responsibility taken into consideration.
4. Discussion about whether the Park should sell off the riding rink fence since is not being used anymore. We will ask for the town's people's opinion on the matter before making a decision.
5. A request was made to label what products should be placed in the recycle part of the bins at the beach area to avoid contaminating and rendering useless the recyclables.

New Business:

1. Discussion of possible programs for the residents at the park in the coming year. Some ideas included a tracking program, birding, wetlands ecology, nature photography, and wild mushrooms. Ted Watt, a naturalist at the Hitchcock Center for the Environment has been contacted to lead some of the listed programs.
2. One special project for next year will be replacement of the playground equipment on the beach. A projected figure of \$20,000 including installation and shipment was researched with the company Bear Playgrounds.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:33 PM

Respectfully Submitted by:

Laurie Pike, Park Commissioner

Park Commissioners:

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Date:

Laurie Pike

Sue Williams

Chris Hyytinen