

The Town of Rowe

Park Commission Meeting Minutes

September 14, 2020

Online Zoom meeting at 6:30 PM

In attendance: Sean Loomis (Park Manager), Sue Williams (Park Commissioner), Laurie Pike (Park Commissioner), Chris Hyytinen (Park Commissioner). Recording the meeting- Rosemary Gordon.

Meeting called to order at 6:30 PM

Approval and acceptance of August 10, 2020 meeting minutes by roll- call vote. Laurie Pike-yes, Sue Williams-yes, Chris Hyytinen-yes

Old Business:

1. New reroute of Adams Mountain is complete and provides a more gradual ascent with easy switchbacks up to the saddle.
2. The Park Rules and Regulations have been updated with horseback riding rules. The horse riding ring has been mowed and a replacement gate is being priced.
3. There will be a Forest Assessment Plan Meeting with the Select Board on September 15 at 5:00 PM. The Select Board will sign off on the plan at that time.
4. The fitness center remains closed but we will formulate a plan for opening with safety guidelines aligned with Covid-19 protocols should townspeople request that it be opened again. The state does currently allow fitness centers to be open with limited numbers of participants. Our center would be open by appointment only with one participant or a small family of no more than three using the facility at a time with supervision by an attendant. The final guidelines will be sent to the Board of Health for approval.

New Business:

1. Cultural Council Grants are due in November at this time. We need to find some possible programs that we may want to apply for that will provide quality programming for the townspeople of Rowe.
2. We will be looking into the application process for the Mass Trails Grant and the Community Forest Stewardship Implementation Grant to assist with the implementation of the Forest Assessment Plan for the next fiscal year.

Meeting Adjourned 8:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted by:

Laurie Pike

Park Commissioner

Laurie Pike

Park Commissioner

Date

Sue Williams
Park Commissioner

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Chris Hyytinen
Park Commissioner

Date