

## Recreation Committee Meeting Minutes

**Date: Thursday June 16, 2022**

**Voting Attendees:** Stephanie Canty, Michelle Fournier, Eli Gillen, Sara Hawk, Erin Pellicane (Telephone)

**Additional Attendees:** Brian Johnson (Highway), Andrew Saska (Wales Resident), Ian McGrath (Try Soccer), Erin Franzo (Holland Resident), Gary Grindle (Holland Resident) Stacy Stout (Town Administrator), Mike Breor (Holland Resident/Baseball)

### 1. Fields

The fields are “a mess” and need to be addressed. The fields are currently used by Soccer, Baseball Softball and Flag Football. There are overused and traffic continues to increase, the highest traffic is in the spring. There is no irrigation. Historically the fields have been mowed by John Smith for free and volunteers fixed the baseball, softball and tee ball fields. The highway department is now mowing the fields 1x per week. Highway department recommends using turf pro (used at cemetery). Rec is paying for fertilizer and equipment repair.

Recommendation to review the overlay of soccer fields and rotate the fields. Also recommend encumbering money for this year and determine actual cost of the field maintenance. Highway department to provide hour rate and will begin to bill the rec committee. Once determined, submit for next year’s budget. Look into the opportunity to write/apply for grants once position is filled. Talk to other towns about grants they have received to improve fields. Also look at other locations within the town (i.e. Circle H etc.) for future fields.

Goal: maintain fields for current usage and traffic levels.

**Motion:** Maintain fields for current use and develop future plan

**Roll Call:** All voting members in favor of motion, motion passed

### 2. Treasurer’s Report

Reviewed numbers and outstanding bills. To follow-up on bills from Green Hydroseed (\$146) and Tractor Supply (\$77.46). Town hall is paying utility bills. There is a baseball sponsorship bill that County Bank cannot cash because it is written to the Town of Holland. Baseball is still finalizing uniforms/shirts and waiting for full bill. Will need emergency meeting prior to next scheduled meeting (July 14<sup>th</sup>) to ensure all bills etc. are finalized before the July 15<sup>th</sup> deadline.

### 3. Field Requests

Erin Pellicane to submit fall soccer requests

### 4. Soccer

Notes provided by Erin Pellicane (see below [in blue](#)). Additional notes are some older children may still need teams. Another copy of the fall 2021 bill has been requested from TRY. Soccer will require the purchase of balls, pumps and safety equipment.

[Notes from Soccer:](#)

[Travel- possible usage of hitchcock for 10u home field in fall and practice fields](#)

field request will go in next rec meeting , confirming this at next try meeting.  
travel spring is over no more make up games.

travel was invited to this meeting, might get some members remotely.

Gary has ideas on fields, he's expected to come tonight

REC

TRY needs our rec teams by next meeting to start setting schedules and refs for rec fall 22.

a few families need financial assistance, we should be able to cover this without a problem. no one ask for help with personal equipment at this point.

We requested another copy of the fall 2021 rec soccer bill ( \$20 per player, prior to us taking over this position) I haven't received it , was it received at the town hall?

Purchase new balls, pumps, safety.... how to go about this?

will rec hire out someone to do the full fall/ winterizing field maintenance? or is highway doing that? Timing of it is important. rec will need to know if we can hold practices at the end of october or if we need to relocate. (probably wales fields but thats also weather pending over there)

**Motion:** Spend up to \$500 for Soccer

**Roll Call:** All voting members in favor of motion, motion passed

## 5. Basketball

May have person interested in role. Opportunity to using voting position this year and grant a new position next year.

## 6. Baseball

Last Teeball/Coach Pitch games Saturday June 18<sup>th</sup>. Trophy's to be provided to players Pictures have bene taken. Requests \$832 in funding for new bases, plugs and field liner. Codes for sheds have been transferred.

**Motion:** Spend \$822.99 for baseball equipment.

**Roll Call:** All voting members in favor of motion, motion passed

## **7. New Business**

A laptop has been requested for the Recreation Committee to check emails, pay bills electronically, etc. Laptop could stay in the Town Hall. Town has offered an old lap top that could be used, it does not have office on it.

**Motion:** Accept laptop offered by town for use by Recreation Committee

**Roll Call:** All voting members in favor of motion, motion passed

**Motion:** Appoint the following positions for next year:

Chair – Eli Gillen

Baseball – Mike Breor

Soccer – Erin Pellicane

Secretary- Sara Hawk

Treasurer – Stephanie Canty

**Roll Call:** All voting members in favor of motion, motion passed

**Motion:** Move meeting from July 14<sup>th</sup> to July 6<sup>th</sup> 6pm

**Roll Call:** All voting members in favor of motion, motion passed

**Meeting Adjourned 7:30 pm. Respectfully submitted by Erin Franzo**