

**New Hartford Recreation**  
**Regular Meeting Minutes**  
**Wednesday, November 14, 2018**

**Call to Order:** 7:03 pm

**Members Present:** Joe Petrarca, Arnie Helt, Ed McCann, Jeremy Schaller, Linda Aquavia

**Members Absent:** Mark McCarthy

**Others Present:** Recreation Director Christy Tellier

Meeting was called to order at 7:03pm

**Opportunity For Public Comment:**

None

**Correspondence:**

Several letters were received and presented in support of the Cyclocross event that occurred at Brodie on October 28, complimenting organizers on the running of the event and highlighting the appreciated use of the park. Ed stated he had stopped at the event and it was organized and ran very well. The event was then discussed. There had been Halloween decorations left up from the party the evening before, but organizers worked around them and worked with the Women's Club when they cleaned up. Arnie presented pictures of damage that occurred to the fields during the event stating he felt the event should have been cancelled or they should have stayed on the roads. Ed stated that top soil would be needed for the ruts. Joe stated he would reach out to the coordinator about the track planning. Christy updated the commission stating that Pat Cunningham, event coordinator, did call her on the Sunday evening to advise of the conditions and provide an update. Pat had said due to wet weather, repairs were not immediately possible, but some hay was put down in a few areas and immediate hazards were addressed. The remaining repairs could be addressed when the weather warranted it. Ed stated that before groups use the park, he felt better guidelines should be provided. Joe to reach out to coordinator.

**Update on Old Business:**

Waterfront / Boat Mooring renovation – no update. Ed stated that the water levels were likely too high. At the beach, the sand was not moved away from the water before the silt fence was put up for the season. Ed stated that some kayaks were still there. Christy to send an email to renters. Ed stated there had been an abandoned car there for a few days, but has since been moved.

**Financials:**

Christy asked commission what information they would like to see on a regular basis. The commission agreed the one page summary showing 3 years' worth of balances was sufficient.

The commission agreed that \$1000 per sport at Browns Corner - \$3000 total should be requested out of the budget to pay to the turf company to supplement the maintenance costs.

**New Business:**

Arnie stated that 2 weeks ago after a big rain, the roof at the field house was leaking. Suggested a metal roof be installed. Christy advised the commission that the cabin on the nurse's cabin was leaking significantly.

Ed stated that the Cub Scout cabin is also exhibiting significant rot that needs attention. Discussion was had about the cabins and it was agreed that clearer definition of who's responsibility repairs are needs to made. Linda recommended checking with Oliver Wolcott High School to see if they would be open to taking on projects that could be completed under supervision.

Jeremy talked to Elaine from @brodiepark about their building use. Joe stated he would get together with Elaine to discuss the updates they are looking at making. The use of the building was discussed and Jeremy stated we should get a copy of their 501(c)3 and the insurance policy prior to moving forward.

Joe asked if the pipes at Berkshire were set for winter. Arnie stated that last year's freeze up was because the water was left dripping and drainage was the issue. There shouldn't be any issues moving forward.

**Approval of Minutes:**

Tabled

Jeremy made a motion to adjourn at 7:46 pm seconded by Linda. All in favor, motion passes.

Respectfully Submitted,

Christy Tellier  
Recreation Director