

**New Hartford Recreation  
Special Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, July 20, 2016**

**Call to Order:** 6:06pm

**Members Present:** Sally O'Neill, Bob Martin, Arn Helt, Ed McCann, Joe Petrarca

**Members Absent:** Steve Tuxbury, Ed Smith

**Others Present:** Recreation Director Christy Tellier, Rick Berneike

**Approval of Minutes:** Tabled

**Opportunity For Public Comment:** None

**Financial Review:** Financials were distributed and reviewed. No questions.

**Old Business:**

The idea of a pickleball court had been discussed. There is a flat area behind the field house that was the sight of a basketball court. There are still light poles there that may still have working lights. Sally will invite Bill Baxter to a future meeting to discuss the pickleball court he has installed at his residence.

Boat Mooring area – Inland/Wetland approved site for repairs. Approvals for renovations of the area are proceeding.

Callahan – fence quote had been received but it was agreed to hold off on any approvals until completion of the boat mooring repairs.

**Review Activities:**

Beach stickers are still selling and being entered.

Discussed signage at the canoe racks with rules. Beach rules need to be more clearly posted and closing time to be enforced. Suggested pamphlets to be handed out to beach goers that detail the waterfront rules, and lifeguards to lock the gates when leaving for the evening.

Arnie Helt made a motion, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bob Martin:

To approve the waterfront rules as amended. (see attached)

All were in favor.

Discussed the idea of considering a food truck for the waterfront for next season.

Discussed the idea of a military discount for stickers.

Discussed adding additional canoe racks.

**Other Business:** A football representative had contacted Sally about the possibility of building a storage area under the pavilion at Browns. No one was present to provide details or further information.

A soccer league had reached out to Town Hall regarding use of Browns Corner for a week-long soccer camp. Rick Berneike provided some background information regarding the request – the program was being relocated from Burlington. They needed use for the week of August 8-12. Rick expressed his opinion that it would be minimal impact on the field. There was discussion regarding the precedence that would be set as the fields have traditionally been reserved for New Hartford based youth sports leagues. Sally suggested tabling the matter until it can be discussed and considered fully, and the commission agreed that it required more thought than the short notice that was received for the current year. The commission agreed to consider looking at establishing a field use fee for future considerations.

Ed McCann made a motion, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bob Martin:

It is the policy of the New Hartford Recreation Commission to allow only New Hartford based sports use of the fields at the New Hartford Town parks.

All were in favor.

Arnie Helt made a motion to adjourn at 7:38. Bob Martin 2<sup>nd</sup>. All in favor.

Respectfully Submitted

Christy Tellier