

**New Hartford Recreation**  
**Special Meeting Minutes**  
**Wednesday, February 17, 2016**

**Call to Order:** 7:09pm

**Members Present:** Sally O'Neill, Bob Martin, Joe Petrarca, Steve Tuxbury

**Members Absent:** Ed Smith

**Others Present:** Recreation Director Christy Tellier

**Approval of Minutes:** Steve made a motion, and Bob Martin 2<sup>nd</sup> to approve the minutes from November 4, meeting, Motion passed.

**Opportunity For Public Comment:**

No public comment.

**2016 Meeting Dates**

Steve made a motion, seconded by Bob to approve the meeting dates as amended. See attachment. All were in favor.

**Fee Schedule**

Sally advised the Commission that the fees had been raised 5% in 2015. There was discussion regarding amenities, out of town fees, etc. It was decided that due to necessary improvements needed, as well as the increase in minimum wage, they would increase fees by 5% again this year. Resident Senior Beach Sticker price would remain the same, and the Resident 2<sup>nd</sup> Car Beach Sticker price would be reduced to \$50.00.

Steve Tuxbury made a motion: To increase 2016 seasonal fees by 5%, rounded to an even, appropriate dollar amount, with the exceptions of Resident Senior Beach Sticker remaining at \$25 and Resident 2<sup>nd</sup> Car Beach Sticker being reduced to \$50.

Joe 2<sup>nd</sup>. All were in favor, motion passes.

**Review of Activities:** Christy reviewed the current activities that are running. Summer camp planning is well underway.

**Financial Review:** Commission members reviewed the financials. All summer salaries have been transferred. Approximately \$3,000 from program instructor salaries need to be transferred.

**Callahan Park:** Commission members met at the park and walked around to review the current amenities and consider potential upgrades. It was discussed that they would regrade and pave the court, but not design it for ice skating. Lights would be considered. There are currently a number of good sized cracks. The court is currently useable, but not in great shape. Felt we should consider upgrading the hoops with something comparable to Brodie, as well as the poles. It was believed something beyond sealing the court would be needed. Konopka Electric would be contacted about a prior estimate for lights.

**Swim Platform:** Steve had taken a look at the swim platform currently at Brodie and advised the Commission he was in agreement it was due for replacing as was discussed at previous meetings.

**Skate Park Fence at Brodie:** Christy reviewed the information regarding insurance guidelines for fencing around skate parks that Bob had requested at the previous meeting. Steve stated he was not in favor of any expenditures related to the fence. There was discussion about the previously received quote and what the minimum requirements to fix it would be. There was no motion or decision made about moving forward with repair to the fence.

**Brodie Waterfront:** There was discussion of lengthy discussion about the mooring area and how to proceed with the engineer. The commission is interested in a plan with the least erosion, the least cost, the least future maintenance, and no docking system due to expense. There is significant concern that the revenue generated by the area does not warrant extensive renovations specific to moorings.

**Commission Members:** Sally asked if there were any suggestions for new members that could be presented to the Board of Selectman to fill vacant positions. Joe mentioned he had someone to possibly consider. No nominations were presented at the meeting.

Sally made a motion to adjourn at 8:45pm seconded by Bob Martin. All in favor, motion passes.

Respectfully Submitted,

Christy Tellier  
Recreation Director