

**Shelburne Recreation Committee**  
**\*Draft\* Minutes**  
**Monday, May 14, 7:00 PM**

**Members Present:** Peggy Coutu, Susan McLellan, Marv Thomas, Kelli Magnier, Renee Davitt, Ann Clark, Bruce Whitbeck, Lynn Ann Prom, Kathie Pudvar

**Staff Present:** Betsy Cieplicki

**Public Present:** none

**Called to order at 7:04 p.m.**

The Minutes from Mar. 28, Feb. 19, Jan. 10, 2018 and Oct. 25, 2017 were reviewed. The minutes from Feb. 19 were amended to add Bruce Whitbeck as a Member present at the Feb. 19<sup>th</sup> meeting. Motion by Ann and seconded by Kelli to approve all of the minutes as amended. Motion passed.

**Public Comments:** Ann Clark reported a comment from a Wake Robin resident asking when the toilets would be open. Power was knocked out and the building damaged slightly in the storm, so we need to get that repaired before we can open the bathrooms. Hopefully it will be all set in time for Memorial Day Weekend. She also asked about more picnic tables, and Betsy reported that an Eagle Scout has recently expressed interest in building more picnic tables for us.

**Directors Report:** (See written report below): We are having a lot of difficulty in finding lifeguards. May have to limit days with Lifeguards and hire gatekeepers only. Discussion about the dog park relocation and the potential at Bay Park. A comment was made asking why there isn't more open space that can be used from the land the town conserves every year in the budget. Most of it is in the country or not accessible.

**Event Planning:**

- *Back to the Beach:* June 19<sup>th</sup>. We plan to roll out the Beach house design. Will first present to the Select Board in June. We will have a table with the beach house design board to talk to the public about it. Shelburne Market has offered to let us purchase burgers through them at cost +10%. Grilling staff will be Dwight Mazur, Bruce Whitbeck, maybe Dave McLellan and Tim Pudvar.

- *Concert and Fireworks at Vermont Teddy Bear:* The RFP for Food vendors went out last week on FPF, the Town website and sent to specific Shelburne vendors. Will have Sisters of Anarchy at the Fireworks event. The Scoop will do the four concerts as Shelburne Farms. Posters about the event were put up around town this week by Peggy. Discussion was held on Traffic control and management of parking. We plan to ask Rotary for help. The Committee decided to sell the glow necklaces, popcorn and drinks only. Police will help with traffic control on route 7.

May need walkie talkies for event. Discussed other volunteers we may be able to get to help, such as Selectboard members, town staff, scouts, etc. Ask Todd Whitaker from the Farmer's Market if he has list of food vendors

**Other Business:** Ann asked on behalf of Mary Candon about a kayak rack at the beach. We discussed the list of reasons we are against this since it's brought up often. Ann also asked about having the meetings set for a particular date of the month (ie. – 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday). We will meet next on Monday, June 11<sup>th</sup> to finalize summer events and will not meet in July as we have the concerts.

Kathie made a motion to adjourn. LynnAnn seconded it. The meeting was adjourned at 8:07 pm.

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### Director's Report

#### **April Office Update:**

*Lifeguard staff update:* We are still very short staffed at the beach for the summer and if we are unable to find more lifeguards, we may not be able to staff lifeguards 7 days a week. We have been advertising in a variety of places for a month and a half, and have no applications at this point. Will keep you updated as we get closer to June and the Beach opening.

*New Interim Town Manager,* Lee Krohn, started at the end of April. If you are in the building, please feel free to stop by and introduce yourself!

*Recent Storm Damage* – We lost a few trees in the dog park, beach, and many other areas around town. Also have a culvert out in Laplatte Nature Park. We are using contactors to take care of the issues and have coordinated with Paul Goodrich for a Town wide clean up.

#### **April Program Update:**

Kindergarten Lacrosse – 13

Coed 1-2 Lacrosse - 37

GPS Juniors – 20

Dog Park Special Event Presentations – 20-40 People at each!

Community Gardens – 19

Babe Ruth Baseball – 28+ (still coming in)

**Dog Park Update:** Betsy will meet with State Wetland rep at Bay Park on Wed. to discuss if preferred location will be subject to wetland rules. The Dog Park Committee is very limited in their choice of potential relocation properties due to the few Town properties that meet the criteria (access, not in residential area, close to Town, etc)