

**Orford Parks and Playgrounds Committee**  
**Minutes of the Meeting**  
**May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2019**  
**Indian Pond Beach**  
**7:00**

**Present:** JJ Hebb (Chair), David Smith, Craig Pelletier, Lawrence Hibbard, Kate Lester and Robb Day

JJ opened the meeting at 7:24 and Craig seconded.

JJ received and approved a request for use of the Town Common for a Lions Club Dinner on June 15<sup>th</sup>.

Green Up Day was successful in it's new format and it was agreed to run it again next year the same way. There were two sign up dates and bags were handed out at the Orford Transfer Station. JJ said she will revise the Town road list. Lawrence thought that a thank you for Floyd's Rubbish Removal was in order. All agreed and JJ said she would take care of it.

Kate went over swimming lesson plans for 2019. Rivendell Visions program will join swimming lessons this year. She also felt that she has all of the swim aides she needs and at this time needs no additional supplies. JJ agreed to post a notice on the Orford Listserve about sign ups for lessons.

Robb went over the grub treatment for the Community Field. Lawrence agreed to meet the technician at the Field on the morning of May 21<sup>st</sup>. The fertilizer has been applied to the Community Field. It was agreed to have the Turf Ace soil amendment delivered after baseball and softball season. At that time we will discuss when the pitchers mound will be repaired. JJ has talked with Matt Taylor and he suggested contacting Chip Stevens for baseball field maintenance as his services are used at Woodsville.

Lawrence has corresponded with Heather Bryant from Grafton County regarding over seeding. The group decided to tentatively plan to have a work day at the Community Field on May 31<sup>st</sup> at 6:00 to over seed the bare spots. Robb agreed to bring seed.

No news on the flagpole lighting or the dugout repairs. David agreed to talk with the Orford Volunteer Fire Department Corporation regarding the right of way to the Community Field by the Fire Station. General access is needed for work projects and the Rivendell Soccer Coaches.

Esther is working on the chain link fence repair from winter plowing. JJ researched locks for the Community Field.

Robb motioned for JJ to purchase the agreed upon number of locks to replace current locks for the boys and girls storage sheds, water hydrants, dumpster, fence gate and dugout storage buildings. David seconded and all were in favor.

It was agreed to have Esther add spring and fall cleanup of the Community Field to the mowing bid put out next year.

The soil sample results for the East Common were discussed and it was agreed to order fertilizer and apply when ready.

Esther has not been able to contact Bill Wilson regarding trimming trees along the East Common. It was agreed to touch base with the Selectboard and see if we go ahead with the trimming.

The Indian Pond beach gazebo will need some maintenance. Trim boards along the roof line are rotten and need to be repaired. The deck needs some sealer applied and the access road culvert needs to be replaced. It was agreed to schedule a work day in July. The culvert is being handled by the Selectboard.

David asked about the lack of a scoreboard at a recent baseball game. JJ mentioned there are two electric scoreboards and one is operational and one is not. Robb asked if it can be repaired and JJ said it could but it would be very expensive and it is also the responsibility of Rivendell.

The June meeting will be at the Upper Baker Pond boat launch on the 19<sup>th</sup>.

JJ motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:18 and Craig seconded. All were in favor.