

Orford Parks and Playgrounds
Minutes of the Meeting
Orford Town Offices
July 21st, 2022
6:30 pm

Present: JJ Hebb, Robb Day and Lawrence Hibbard.

JJ opened the meeting at 6:35. JJ motioned to accept the May minutes as read, Lawrence seconded and all were in favor.

Kate Lester (swim program coordinator) informed JJ that the number of participants this summer were much larger than anticipated. An additional swim aide was needed and that may affect the budget for summer 2022. all agreed that this was necessary and acceptable. It was discussed that the tuition price per student should be revisited this winter and the rate could be raised to account for additional interest in the program. Orford and Piermont students are free and the tuition applies to children from out of Town.

Robb brought up that Indian Pond rules are not being followed by patrons. A number of dogs have been seen in the beach area and many out of state plates were observed in the parking lot. Robb suggested that a reminder of beach rules should be put out on the listserve. All agreed and Robb will contact Esther. Robb also noticed that the trash can for the bandstand concerts has been left out for extended periods of time. This has invited wildlife and the trash has had to be cleaned up. It was agreed to remind the Bandstand Committee that the trash can should be removed after every show, in accordance with the Committee's agreement with Parks and Playgrounds. Robb will contact the Committee.

Improvements to the Community Field were discussed. The Basketball Court was resurfaced and painted in July. Robb suggested building a kiosk by the Court to display signs regarding rules and regulations, with additional room for announcements. Lawrence suggested that the Committee can build it and he will head that project up.

Lawrence suggested installing a steel gate between the parking lot and the road. This gate could be closed in the evenings and during the winter to eliminate unwanted traffic and after hours mischief. Talk of a crosswalk from the Field to the School was also discussed.

JJ motioned to adjourn and Lawrence seconded. All were in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 7:25.

Minutes taken by Robb Day.