



TOWN OF WAKEFIELD

RECREATION DEPARTMENT

Wakefield Recreation Committee Minutes

Wednesday January 11, 2023 @ 7:00 PM

Virtual - Zoom

The Recreation Committee officially came to order at 7:01PM online via Zoom

Members in attendance included: Rich Stevens, Jed Barrett, Bob Burnett, Chris Gargano, and Charlie Ciccone. Recreation Director Dan McGrath was also in attendance.

Old Business

Programming Updates

Planning for Summer 2023. Adult Mental First Aid Class tomorrow in conjunction with WBGC, WPD, and Town Health and Human Services Dept. Children's Playhouse is ongoing. Fencing has 21 participants. Pickleball lessons are full through March with large waitlists. SNL Multi Sport and Biddy Basketball classes start in March. Soccer Shots has 30+ kids. Rock Climbing is full. Winter Break Program with Rec Staff went very well. 23 for full week plus 67 kids who dropped in during the week. Creating a new summer program that we will run with the WPD and BOH – H.R.C. (Health, Recreation, Cops) Summer Experience. Modeled after a program run by Arlington Recreation.

Americal Civic Center

Roof has been replaced, no more leaks. Gym is booked solid for months. Offered pickleball rentals during Winter Vacation, was very popular. Going to offer weekly rentals when WBA season ends as well as weekend time. Demand is overwhelming.

Fields

Will meet with Turf Field users. Lots of requests for outside groups needing field space. Will help if we can. Wakefield groups have first priority. Stoneham High has requested use of Tennis Court space due to construction at SHS. We have offered use of Vets (MacKenna Courts) M-F from 2-6.

Motion to adjourn made by Mr. Barrett. Seconded by Mr. Burnett 5-0

Meeting adjourned at 7:35PM

Respectfully Submitted:
Dan McGrath
Director of Recreation

