West Stockbridge Parks & Recreation Committee

Minutes for Meeting on: 8/3/2021 - 5:30PM 21 State Line Road, West Stockbridge, MA

Attendance: Caitlin Graham (CG), Joe Roy (JR), Helen Nolan (HN), Ashley Daigle (AD), Sally & Warren Kimball

- 5:32PM Meeting in session
- CG made a motion to approve previous month's minutes. JP seconded the motion. All approved.
- Sally & Warren Kimball brought up the fact that they are very interred in the Town's Tennis Courts. They are concerned about routine repairs. Need new squeegee. Couple gaps along the perimeter. Major issue is big cracks in the court that need repairs soon or there will be major issues.
 - HN brought up that she thinks that Dickie Paretti was the person who would be the person to get in touch with regarding repairs. HN will get in touch with CW and put a call into Dickie regarding repairs.
- Group discussed how the Card Pond party went. Ideas to make it better would be to try and make it earlier. Big push on getting a lifeguard for next year. Making the place more welcoming through treating the lawn, keeping geese off the area and additional sun shades.
- Group would like to have a key to Card Pond shed and gate. Jr will talk to CW regarding getting access.
- Group wondered about getting a volleyball net set up again at Card Pond. JR will inquire with CW.
- Group discussed about adding additional security to Card Pond. AD suggested a trail camera. All
 agreed to look into this further. CG will get in touch with police department regarding this issue.
- JR suggested doing meetings with Zoom and in person at Town Hall. All agreed that this would be a good idea and are in favor of this option. JR will set this up for the next meeting.
- HN brought up CW's concerns of vandalism and excessive use of Card Pond area. Some neighboring camps seem to be dropping off many kids. JR will get in touch with Marie Ryan about the possibility of getting sign up sheets for large usage of Card Pond area.
- CG brought up Halloween plans. First to plan on a drive through event like last year due to covid. 4-6 would be trick or treat. No parade this year. Ghent Playhouse and many WS townspeople will be able to donate many props for the haunted drive through at Town Hall parking lot. Need to look into donations for props.
- JP brought up that some people have been asking about a Dog Park and the idea of bringing back Zucchini Festival. The group all decided that these were great ideas but want to table them until Halloween is over.
- Next meeting will be Sept 7, 5:30pm. Members and citizens can join in person or via Zoom.
- 6:45PM Adjourn.

Respectfully submitted by,

Joseph P Roy West Stockbridge Parks and Recreation Clerk