

**Town of Barre
Recreation Board
Meeting Minutes
October 1, 2018**

The Town of Barre Recreation Board held a public meeting on Monday, October 1, 2018 in the Municipal Building at 149 Websterville Road. Board members present were: Doug Farnham, Dave Rouleau, Terry Smith, Mike Gilbar, Rolland Tessier, Adi Dobrilovic and Stacey Lynds. Also present were Matthew Cetin, Emily Cetin, Tracy Poirier, Emma Poirier, Craig Locarno, Stephen Maas (by telephone), town manager Carl Rogers, and assistant town manager Elaine Wang.

Chair Farnham called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

Gilbar made a motion to accept the agenda as presented. Lynds seconded and the motion passed 6-0. Dobrilovic was not present for the vote.

On the draft minutes, Smith noted that the 2019 dates decided for Spring Fest and Fall Fest were September 28 and the June 1, respectively, then motioned to approve the September 10 minutes with those corrections. Tessier seconded and the board approved 6-0. Dobrilovic was not present for the vote.

There were no guests for a matter not on the agenda.

5. Field Requests –

- a. Spaulding High School Haunted Forest – The Cetins and the Poiriers presented their request to hold a Haunted Forest and concessions fundraiser for Project Grad from 6p-10p on October 20th, and 27th if the 20th is successful, or as a rain date, at the picnic shelter and forested area near the picnic shelter in the Rec Area, and for the fees to be waived. There will be student and adult volunteers. No fires, and they understand to ‘pack in and pack out’ any waste. Smith motioned to approve the request for both dates contingent on receipt of a certificate of insurance and to waive the picnic shelter fees. Gilbar seconded and the motion passed 7-0.
- b. Gusto fundraiser at Disc Golf Course – Rouleau presented this request on behalf of Josh Dickinson, new owner of Gusto’s Bar, to hold a fundraising tournament to benefit BYSA Hockey on Saturday Oct 20, 9a-1p. Smith motioned to approve the request contingent on receipt of a certificate of insurance. Tessier seconded and the motion passed 7-0.

6. Barre Community Baseball and Softball request to rebuild Little League pitching mound – Craig Locarno presented BCB’s request to improve the Little League field by hiring a company to rebuild the pitching mound in the next month, at no cost to the town. There was discussion about previous projects started and not completed by BCB volunteers, but that this request was different as a discrete project with a reputable contractor engaged to complete it. Smith made a motion to approve the project as presented. Gilbar seconded and the motion passed 6-1. Dobrilovic voted no. Rogers requested that any material, e.g. dirt, deposited on the bike path due to the project be cleaned up. Locarno agreed.

7. Millstone Trails Association request to re-route a trail in Town Forest – Wang presented this request on behalf of MTA to resolve erosion on the Boulderdash trail, and explained a map of the proposed re-route. Wang reported that what she saw on her site walk with Steve Maas, MTA President, were conditions consistent with Maas’s written request. The Board asked questions of Maas via phone call. Rouleau motioned to approve the request and that it be built just well enough for a snowmobile and groomer and in such a way that addresses erosion concerns. Tessier seconded and the motion passed 7-0.

8. Kiwanis Club offer to rehab pavilion picnic tables – The Kiwanis Club of Barre offered to sand and paint the picnic tables at the Rec Area on Saturday October 27th. It was noted that the date had just been approved for the SHS Haunted Forest. The Board directed staff to ask for another date, and if Kiwanis could not accommodate such, that SHS be informed that the tables wouldn’t be available on the 27th. Smith made a motion to approve the request and Tessier seconded. The motion passed on a 7-0 vote.

9. Supervisor's Report – The Rec Supervisor reviewed the department's activities for the last month. Coffrin also requested the Board consider during the spring field use scheduling meeting curtailing use of the upper soccer field in 2019 if needed to recover from the dry 2018 summer.

10. Lighting for parking area beyond Rec Area volleyball court – The Board discussed regular and solar options for lighting this area, and directed staff to find out whether there is electrical cable laid along the Rec Access Road, to which the new light could connect.

11. Rec Area Ordinance – After some discussion, Gilbar made a motion to advance, as presented, their ordinance revision for Chapter 3.5 Conduct, Article II. Town Properties to the Selectboard. Smith seconded and the motion passed 7-0.

12. Recreation Guidelines – After some discussion, Gilbar made a motion to accept the new Recreation Guidelines as presented. Rouleau seconded and the motion passed 7-0.

13. Debrief Fall Festival – The group debriefed on the Fall Festival. All agreed it went well. 278 people attended. Smith shared input from the feedback forms and the group shared ideas about future festivals.

14. Other Business – There was no other business not on the agenda.

15. 'Round the Table – Dobrilovic shared that he was not able to help out at Fall Fest because he was attending a sexual harassment training. Tessier shared that he was amazed by the turnout to Fall Fest. Gilbar said he was disturbed by the vandalism of the hay bale maze on Saturday evening and noted he'd like one game camera in the next budget request. Smith asked for volunteers to help with Spring Fest. Tessier, Lynds, and Gilbar volunteered. Lynds commented on FallFest. Rouleau conveyed thanks from the Special Olympics for use of the fields and the waived fees; asked for more info on the dog park and disc golf course to be shared on the town website; asked for the Board to revisit a third parking area for the Town Forest; and asked for signage for overflow parking at the Rec area. Farnham asked for an update on the website Rec Calendar; and for the Barre Town School Athletic Director to either move girl's softball back to 4-6pm, or to let us know which days their games are so that the men's softball league know they can't show up until 6:30pm.

At 8:23pm on a motion by Gilbar, seconded by Tessier, the board voted 7-0 to adjourn.

Recreation Board Members
