

Monkton Recreation Committee
Wednesday, September 4, 2024
7:00 to 8:00 PM
Meeting conducted at New Town Hall

Members Present: John Zaikowski, Paul Low, Sarah Bouchard, Adam Crary, Rick Imes
Others Present: Joe Szarejko, Rick Kinsman, Tony Curtis, II

1. Call to Order: Zaikowski called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM.

2. Rec Field ARPA proposal: Szarejko, Kinsman, and Curtis discussed potential project to address storage shed and dugout conditions at the Rec Field using ARPA funds. Committee members discussed approved Lower Ballfield project and current Rec Field ARPA projects, and work on those to date. Options to add an additional storage shed, possibly repair or replace Rec Field dugouts discussed. Committee members were supportive of exploring these options. Szarejko, Kinsman, and Curtis will explore options and costs and develop a proposal, with further discussions with the Committee anticipated.

3. Review and approval of August meeting minutes: **Low made a motion to approve August minutes. Bouchard seconded. No changes or modifications. All were in favor, with one abstention. (4-0-1).**

4. Monkton Bike/pedestrian Path Alternatives utilizing More Park paths: Zaikowski summarized the Town's project and the scoping/alternatives status, and outlined the comments provided to the Selectboard and the consultant at the 8/27 Selectboard Meeting. Committee members did not have any additional comments. Zaikowski will advise the consultant.

5. Soccer: Bouchard provided a brief overview of the upcoming season. Registration is on-going, teams are being formed, and she is working with the other Town coordinators on game schedules. Field prep at Morse Park is scheduled for this coming weekend.

6. Morse Park Management Plan: Zaikowski and Crary discussed the current draft. Committee members provided several comments related to management decisions and the map, which will be taken back to the joint Rec/Conservation Commission subcommittee for discussion.

7. ARPA project updates: Imes and Low will be evaluating whether to order exercise station equipment/materials and store over the winter, or hold off ordering until spring, in anticipation of installation during the 2025 construction season.

8. Adjourn: Meeting adjourned at 8:35 PM

Respectfully submitted,

John Zaikowski