

Town of Middlebury Parks and Recreation



**Betty Proulx, APRP
Director**

COMMISSIONERS
Ron Clark, Chairman
Ray Kasidas
Jack Worgan
Ralph Barra
Carolanne Browne

MIDDLEBURY PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
Meeting Minutes
Thursday November 8, 2018
Shepardson Community Center
Room 1

Present: Ron Clark, Chairman
Betty Proulx, Director
Jack Worgan
Ralph Barra

Absent: Carolanne Browne
Ray Kasidas

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Ron Clark called the meeting to order at 6:02 PM

APPROVE MINUTES

VOTED: Unanimously on a motion by Ralph Barra and seconded by Jack Worgan to **APPROVE** the October 12, 2018 minutes with the following amendment: The commission exited executive session at 6:35 PM, and the meeting was adjourned at 6:37 PM

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

GREENWAY REPORT

Betty Proulx said she submitted 2 grants to DEEP for the lines to be painted on the street and to replace the split rail fence.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

BUDGET

Betty handed out copies of the updated budget figures for the board to review, which showed that the revenue is still in the black.

VOTED: Unanimously on a motion by Jack Worgan and seconded by Ralph Barra to **ACCEPT** the budget report.

Betty then passed out copies of the proposed 2019-2020 budget. She stated it needs to be in by December 3rd. She said she would email Jack a copy once she has finished it. She noted there is a new liaison, Joseph Drauss from the BOF.

PERSONNEL

None to report

BUILDING & PARKS

Betty reported that Ed St John is coming up with a new Capital Plan, but she hasn't yet received the update on the proposals for the parks. It will include updated and improvements to the parks in town.

PUBLIC RELATIONS

None to report

DIRECTORS REPORT

Betty Proulx stated that Celebrate Middlebury was a success. The vendors and restaurants came even though there was rain in the morning. In the afternoon, the weather got better and the sun came out. There are 2 new businesses that want to be on the committee, so it's growing and that is what they need. All the vendors that participated were happy. Trick or Trunk was cancelled due to the rain. She said next year she will suggest moving it to the Shepardson Building if there is rain. The tree lighting is in 3 weeks. Betty and Ed St John will be meeting with the Pomperaug baseball and soccer teams. They are reviewing what other towns are charging for out of town use. They are considering it an outside operation. There is now a 7th and 8th grade northwest basketball league. Middlebury 7th grade girls' basketball will be going to the Fairfield gym. Jack said he didn't know how he felt about this and doesn't feel 100% sure they should support it. Betty said they are bringing in kids from Southbury too. There was a discussion regarding the recreation team and setting up a policy for next year. Betty said they received \$2,500.00 grant from Thomaston Savings Bank for more solar lights along the greenway. They are hoping they will start to get donations for more lights.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

None

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

ADJOURNMENT

Voted: Unanimously on a motion by Ralph Barra and seconded by Jack Worgan to **ADJOURN** the meeting at 6:30 PM.

cc: Town Clerk
Commission Members
Betty Proulx
Bill Stowell