

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF RECREATION COMMISSIONERS  
FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF WANTAGE, HELD AT THE WANTAGE TOWNSHIP  
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, ON  
May 24, 2017**

**CALL TO ORDER:**

2017 Board President Greg Williams called the meeting to order.

**ROLL CALL:**

Present: Karen Merritt, Christine Keller, Christy Tuper, Greg Williams, Warren Wisse.  
Absent: Lorraine Card, Nancy Nolte.

**OPEN PUBLIC MEETING ACT COMPLIANCE**

Greg Williams stated, "This meeting is being held in compliance with the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act, Public laws of 1975 Chapter 231. It has been properly advertised and certified."

**NEW BUSINESS**

The Mayor of Wantage Jon Morris gave an update on the Recreation and Parks Advisory Committee Ordinance and answered any questions, concerns, and comments.

Christine Keller made the motion to approve the application for use of facilities:

**First Touch Soccer School**

Woodbourne Park field #3

July 17, 2017 – July 21, 2017

July 24, 2017 – July 28, 2017

8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Christy Tuper seconded the motion.

Ayes: Merritt, Keller, Tuper, Williams, Wisse, Nays: None

Absent: Card, Nolte.

Christine Keller made the motion to approve the application for use of facilities:

**High Point Midget Football**

Woodbourne Park field #7 and #8

July 15, 2017 – December 17, 2017

Monday- Friday 5:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Saturday 8:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Sunday 8:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

**Excluded dates:** September 16, 2017 until 11:00 a.m. for the Wantage Township 5K race  
October 8, 2017 and rain date October 15, 2017 all day for the Car Show

Warren Wisse seconded the motion.

Ayes: Merritt, Keller, Tuper, Williams, Wisse, Nays: None

Absent: Card, Nolte.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

The Recreation Commission discussed final preparations for Wantage Day that will be held on Saturday, June 3, at Woodbourne Park.

## **COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORTS**

Stu Baker sent an update on the revitalization of the Wantage Township Dog Park. The Dog Park was divided into two sections and new grass is starting to grow. There is also additional gravel delivered and placed in front of the Dog Park.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Christine Keller made the motion to approve the April 26, 2017 minutes, Christy Tuper seconded the motion.

Ayes: Merritt, Keller, Tuper, Williams, Wisse, Nays: None

Absent: Card, Nolte.

## **OPEN PUBLIC SESSION**

Jon Morris mentioned that Farmside Landscape and Design gave a generous donation to buy mulch and flowers and did a great job in landscaping the Veteran's Memorial at Woodbourne Park.

Jon Morris stated over two hundred native trees were planted by High Point Regional High School environmental science students and the Wallkill River Watershed Management Group. The trees were planted to restore the wetlands area along the Papakating Creek next to the Dog Park and Woodbourne Park in Wantage.

Greg Willams discussed further information on the Jim Doherty memorial plaque at Woodbourne Park.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Christine Keller and seconded by Karen Merritt.

Ayes: Merritt, Keller, Tuper, Williams, Wisse, Nays: None

Absent: Card, Nolte.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Arlene DeLaOsa, Board Secretary