

Minutes – Wilton Recreation Advisory Committee Meeting

May 5, 2025 – Gavin Park

- **Start Time:** 7:00 PM
 - **Attendance:** All members present
 - **Minutes Approval:** Motion by Shawn, second by Brent, all in favor.
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Director's Report

- Provided by Ross MacNeil, reviewed by all.
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Old Business

- **Northern Pines Project/Forest Grove:**
 - No updates from Mark or Ken.
 - Bids are out for building piers.
 - Limited usable property.
 - Forest Grove strip likely to remain passive park, potential dog park.
 - John McEachron evaluating land in northern Wilton.
 - EMS trail development is a long-term plan; Commission may help in phases.
 - Shawn discussed phased construction and paving timeline.
- **Zip Lines:**
 - Nearing completion; platforms to be built, wood chips to be added, final testing pending.
- **Town Board Meeting Attendance:**
 - Bob and Mark scheduled to attend June 5th and note Commission's Community Day participation.

- **Community Day Planning:**
 - Mark got a \$56.25 estimate for a sign.
 - Six members available; suggested three 2-hour shifts, Ken available for all.
 - Discussed tabletop game, maps, trail info, and QR codes for booth.
 - Ken and Mark to coordinate with Josh Carlson and Ross for giveaways/games.
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New Business

- **SW Baseball Letter:**
 - Feedback on recreation needs.
 - Request for more field space and a new T-ball diamond.
 - Interest in a concession stand.
 - Discussion about balancing needs of larger travel teams vs smaller leagues.
 - Lighting deemed too difficult to implement.
 - Concession stand update: possible food trailer option.
- **Summer Recess:**
 - July 7th meeting cancelled (motion by Mark, second by Shawn, approved unanimously).
- **All Trails Meeting:**
 - Tentative for June 11th or 18th.
 - Ken to send invites and coordinate room with Ross.
- **Ethics Training:**
 - Scheduled for May 22nd; some members will attend.
- **Ortho NY Project:**

- Shawn updated the group on project changes and sidewalk discussions.
 - Project scaled down from original workforce housing plans.
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Adjournment: 7:49 PM (Motion by Andrea, second by Wendy, all in favor)

Respectfully submitted:

Kellie Milne