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**Park and Recreation Commission  
April 4, 2022 Redding Community Center  
Meeting Minutes**

**Present: Kevin Jones (Chair), Pete Graziano, Tami O'Connor, Mitch Edwards, William Rook, MaryLou Carlson (7:36), Lorcan O'Connor (7:38)**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mr. Jones called the meeting to order at 7:31 pm.

**REVIEW OF DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Mr. Blick reviewed his report:

- The Pavilion is substantially complete. Highway will pave a short asphalt sidewalk for handicap access, and will do some landscaping to ensure the drop-off is gradual.
- Water is turned on at Topstone Park and the Community Garden, and the irrigation system will be turned on later this month. The field will need irrigation turned on after the well guys come out to fix a broken pipe.
- The Spring Program brochure is close to completion, most likely tomorrow.
- An application was submitted for use of ARPA funds for the three trees needed for the town green. They need to be planted by May 15<sup>th</sup>, or after October 15<sup>th</sup>.
- The largest item in the budget continues to be the replacement of the Tennis Courts with post-tension concrete. It is currently in the budget and will be voted on in the referendum May 3rd.
- Mr. Blick had a request from the Lions Club for a Carnival to be held on the RCC site on Mother's Day weekend.
- The Concert series is all set for the summer with some great new groups performing. We received a significant sponsorship from Spread Music Now to support the entire series. They promote music education and their events will be listed on our concert page and inserts.
- We are always looking for lifeguards for the summer.
- June 27 – Mexican Food Night at Topstone.
- August 20 – Steel Drum Band with Caribbean Food at Topstone (daytime).

**LETTERS OR CORRESPONDENCE**

Mr. Blick received a Pride Celebration request. He asked them for a more detailed plan and will discuss with them.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM March 7, 2022**

Motion to approve the minutes: Graziano; T. O'Connor (second), unanimous.

**DISCUSSION OF PREVIOUS BUSINESS**

None.

**DISCUSSION OF OPENING PAVILION**

The Commission discussed some sort of ribbon-cutting ceremony to open the Pavilion. Mr. Blick will organize a small event and invite the Board of Selectman. It was also suggested, barring a surge in Covid, and if the weather cooperated, the next meeting could be held in the Pavilion.

**ADDITIONAL NEW BUSINESS OR INITIATIVES**

None.

**SUPPLEMENTAL PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion Jones, T. O'Connor (second), unanimous. Adjourned at 8:31 pm

Submitted: Kevin Jones