

## **Minutes – Wilton Recreation Advisory Committee Meeting**

October 7, 2024 – Gavin Park

**Present:** Mark Dailey, Kellie Milne, Andrea Glogowski, Bob Garrett, and Brent Pollack

**Absent:** Ken Bishop, Trey Bodkin, Sara Bogardus

**Meeting called to order** at 7:00PM

**Approval of Minutes:** A motion was made by Bob Garrett to approve the minutes from the September 16th meeting, second by Andrea Glogowski, minutes were approved.

**Director's report:** Not provided, Ken to follow up.

**Old Business:** Andrea advised that there were 10 more responses to the QR code survey. Sara, although not in attendance, advised via email that she had sent out fliers to various organizations in the Wilton community and the Commission is hopeful that this effort will provide for more responses. Andrea to also send the QR code around to the Commission to share with friends and neighbors. Andrea advised she had removed the open-ended question which provided for some incomplete data, she also intends to sort the data.

Mark provided an update on the Northern Pines projects that the boring was done, and they are now working on archaeological testing. The Town is still mowing the site, and there is expectation for the project to be complete by spring or summer 2025.

Brent provided an update on the Friends of Wilton Rec zip line initiative. There are to be two side by side, with one adaptive zip line and he expects the project will be complete by spring 2025. He advised that before the 5k fundraiser, the Friends of Wilton were halfway to their goal for funding the project.

Mark mentioned that there is no new update from Margo Olson at Wilton Wildlife.

Mark advised that he had connected with Ryan Riper regarding the Forest Grove trails initiatives so that he could walk the northern end of the trail property without trespassing. Ryan had advised the Commission that it would be a good idea to speak with the Town Planning Board to discuss ideas (for example, the

Commission's idea for Disc Golf). Mark also mentioned that it would be a good idea to meet with Steve Ovitt again and perhaps Ethan Winter as it would be good to get input from various parties.

**New Business:** The Commission agreed to wait for Ken to finalize the proposed schedule for Commission members to attend the Town Board meetings on a quarterly basis.

The Commission notes that Ken is in process with Natalie Lincoln, Grants Coordinator from Congressman Paul Tonko's office to schedule the next joint trails meeting in November, with a tentative date of November 11<sup>th</sup> or 12<sup>th</sup>. Kellie asked the Commission if it would be a good idea to add SMBA (Saratoga Mountain Biking Association) to the invitee list and the Commission agreed.

Kellie to reach out to the Town in order to correct the Commission members list on the Town's website.

**Next Meeting:** Monday, November 4th.

**Adjourn:** A motion was made by Kellie Milne to adjourn at 7:45pm, second by Brent Pollack.

**Respectfully submitted:**

Kellie Milne