

Killingworth Parks and Recreation Commission  
Regular Meeting  
March 10, 2025  
Emergency Operations Center, Killingworth, CT

**1.Call to Order:** Jim called the meeting to order at 7:30pm. Present: Jim Duffield (Chair), Chris Smalley, Chris Swiss, Bill Burley, Glenn Johnson, Donna Clark and Jeremy Burr

**2.Approval of the Minutes: \*Glenn made a motion to approve the February 10, 2025 meeting minutes, Chris Swiss seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.**

**3.Visitors:** Derek Torre, HKSC and Maxim Beryman, KW Troop 18

**4.Bills, Applications and Communications**

1.Eversource, Sheldon \$65.02  
Auer \$46.25

2. Clean Restrooms, Rocco \$95.00

3. Gatekeeping, Auer, Jan. \$310.00 Feb. \$210.00  
Sheldon, Feb. \$140.00

4.Sweitzer, Sheldon \$177.02  
Rocco \$119.90  
Auer \$177.02  
Bethke \$67.20

5.Drainscapes, \$3,136.68, #5 mowing, Auer

**\*Glenn made a motion to approve the bills as read, Chris seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.**

Applications:

1. HKSC, Field 2 and 4, 3/29-
2. HK Lacrosse, Fields 1,2 3 and practice area, weeknights/weekends
3. HK Recreation, soccer, field 3 5-7pm Tues/Wed
4. Men's Soccer, field 2, Sunday am

-Discussed path to honoring all requests, practice area usage, user groups working together and communicating with one another. There may be extra available time on the practice field.

**\*Bill made a motion to approve fields 2 and 4 for HKSC and 1 and 3 for Lacrosse and the practice field. HK Rec and Men's soccer will work with HKSC to accommodate. Jeremy seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.**

Derek Torres of HK Soccer Club requested adding soil to the fields periodically to combat wear. The Soccer Club will provide a load of soil to be placed next to the shed for use. Derek also participated in the discussion regarding field schedules.

Application: HKLL

-Bethke, 4/1/25-8/31/25

-Sheldon, 4/1/25-8/31/25

-Rocco, 4/1/25-8/31/25

**\*Bill made a motion to approve a fee of \$25 for an up to and not to exceed two hour window, per use, for any user group consisting of less than 75% HK residents to be amended by the Commission at any time. Chris Smalley seconded the motion and it passed with a Chris Swiss abstention.**

**\*Chris Swiss made a motion to approve the HKLL applications, Chris Smalley seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.**

Application: Breakers Baseball, 3/25/25-7/15/25, Sheldon and Rocco, baseball and softball

**\*Chris Swiss made a motion to approve the Breakers application subject to field fees and HKLL consent. Bill seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.**

**5.Treasurer's Report:** \$55,307.00 spent, 49.8%

## **6.Old Business**

1.Pickleball Courts, three bids received, two within proposed budget.

2.Bethke, infield to be turned in the coming weeks

3.Auer

-continue to search for someone to maintain the flower beds

-overbudget currently for pavilion project

-During park walk, discussed and staked a relatively new site for the pavilion, more toward the fields to accommodate utilities and ADA access. Discussed Bill's concerns for safety, all members will visit the site to form a consensus.

-Continuing to make a plan for irrigation for the field project

-Discussed using the new field in the fall for younger participants.

-Discussed increased mowing of the practice field, mowing a 55ft wide path at disk golf holes 3 and 4 and mowing the entire disk golf field area once a year (will not include)

-Discussed including "Preen" on fields, March and July

4.Mowing contracts, same as previous year and will include start/close, irrigation, and fertilizing for budget purposes.

## **7.New Business**

-HKLL would like to put "HK" signs on Rocco and Sheldon fences.

**\*Bill made a motion to adjourn at 8:49pm**

Respectfully submitted,  
Donna Clark