

**TOWN OF NORTH CASTLE  
PARKS & RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD ("PRAB")  
Minutes of March 5, 2024 Meeting**

**In Attendance:** Brendan Molloy, Jeff Scott, Norma Hill, Sharon Weiss, Brad Lerman, Brian Baranaskas, Matt Trainor, Lisa Larsen

**Absent:** Karl Hinrichs, Matt Milim

**Minutes:** Minutes of the February 6<sup>th</sup> meeting were accepted and approved.

**OLD BUSINESS AND PROJECT UPDATES**

**IBM Field Project:** Kellard Sessions has been updated with the site plan preference and they are sufficiently satisfied with the documents to be able to draw up bid specs.

**Lombardi Park Water:** Town Board has approved the plan going with the public hookup and main running down School Street. We are expecting to have portable toilets at Lombardi Park for another season or two. Plans are being drawn up and will also possibly include having a sidewalk on School Street.

**Town Pool:** Town Board has approved Torlish & Sons to do well work immediately on an emergency basis after a Health Department approval is received. A site meeting with the complete team is scheduled for Thursday 3/7. The aim is to open for the 2024 season and lose the 2025 season for a rehab or renovation project. The public will be asked for input.

**Wampus Brook Park Lighting / Electrical:** We are in the process of receiving shipment of poles and light heads - still waiting on concrete bases for lighting fixtures. This work and project should be completed before Folderol, which is held in early June.

**Trails:** Ongoing discussion, and talk has included possibly putting a sidewalk on School Street in conjunction with the Lombardi Park water project.

**NCCC Gym Padding:** Padding has been installed and looks great. Superintendent Trainor is very pleased with the way it turned out. The next project, down the line, is to replace the backboards.

**Wampus North Bridge:** There are internal complications and certain road blocks with respect to Anthony Ruvo doing the work in-house. Supervisor Rende is committed to getting the work done - it's on his desk for further consideration.

**Clove Road NCCC Fields:** A meeting was held on site with Supervisor Rende, Park Foreman Foley, and Bob Candrea. Superintendent Trainor was given a document with the general scope of work, but not as complete as the town would like it to be. They are trying to figure out how to move the project along without jumping through engineering hoops.

**Department Staffing:** Joe Liburdi, new Park Groundskeeper, started yesterday. We are still looking to bring on one to two more full-time people. We are still looking for a candidate to replace Liz Duffy for the senior program. The holdup is with the County; since the exam was given fairly recently; we are waiting to get the list of candidates with hiring to be done from this list. PRAB member Hill, along with perhaps a member of the senior group, would like to be part of the interview process. It might be beneficial to hold another round table meeting, and the possibility of a two-tier system came up as a suggestion.

The meeting adjourned at 6:50PM