

**WEST TISBURY PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE
MINUTES JANUARY 7, 2009**

PRESENT: Rick Reinhardsen, Bruce Keep, Doug Bardwell, Bob Holt and present for part of the meeting
Bea Phear.

Minutes from previous meeting were approved as submitted.

Rick went and looked at the signs on Lambert's Cove Rd. across from the parking lot. He agrees with Chief Toomey that we should eliminate the parking across the street from the lot. Take out the two beach sticker parking signs replace with a slow children sign at the curve. Jesse has signs. We would lose 4/5 spots but they could be replaced by the 4 staff spots staff spots that will be eliminated. We would have the staff park up near Cottles. Doug asked how many spots are by Cottles. There were many after the bridge. Bruce said the staff wouldn't have to cross the road; the parking is on the same side

Rick said we can do nothing or do what the Chief suggests. Bruce agreed to follow the Chiefs recommendation for the safety issue. It can always be changed if it's not working. The committee agreed to have no parking across the street, have only two spots for staff parking and the remaining spots be available to the public. Bob suggested a sign determining the staff spots then there would be no discussion from them. Doug asked are we sure we can put signs out front; is that our property?

Rick said there are only a finite number of spaces available; on a good day we aren't going to accommodate everyone. We should encourage people to take the bus.

Bea Phear from the Town Hall Renovation Committee came to discuss the playground. Bruce asked how much was in the budget for the playground. Bea said \$65,000 was budgeted. Bob said the \$65,000 was budgeted without removing the basketball court. Then it was removed without our knowledge, maybe we can get CPC funds to help replace it. Bruce said no unless it was replaced in the same location. Rick thought we could possibly fit it back on the original site. Bea agreed there is space. Her personal opinion is to have it someplace else. She doesn't think it's a good mix to have basketball players around little kids. Bob thought it might be better here because it would get more local clientele. Rick said it is worth discussing further if we can get funding for it to stay on the same property. Bea will get the master plan to Peggy asap. Her son Hugh would like to help with the planning; she will have him call Peggy
Rick asked what the completion date is. Bea said they would like Scanlon off site before we start the playground which should be July 09. She said there will be no handicap access from Music St. It would only be from the Grange or the parking lot. Rick said let's be sure we go through the proper channels, getting bids etc.

In other business, Based on a complaint from Joe that Focus seemed to abuse the policy last summer, the committee made some minor revisions to the Camp Policy for Lambert's Cove Beach. . It was made clear that only one 15 passenger van may stay in the lot. Camps may only come Mon. -Thurs. They must call 24 hours in advance to the Summer Director. There was also discussion of Beach revisions from 2004. The only significant change was the parking situation.

Doug suggested getting a copy of what exactly the town owns. Bruce thinks we own the lot and beach but not sure about the path. Rick suggested Peggy look into this to define what we own.

Rick would like copies of the job description to discuss at the next meeting as well as the T-shirt situation.

Bruce called to adjourn the meeting. All agreed.

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Stone
Board Administrator