Shelburne Recreation Committee Meeting Minutes for 6-5-24

Attending: members Diana Hardina, Mary Lou Gallup, Stefan Topolski, and Norman Beebe, and Cowell Director John Walsh

- 1--- **Approve minutes** for May also reapprove minutes for 4-10-24 with new wording for #8.
- 2--- **Mohawk Woodland Partnership** we were given approval by the Open Space Committee to spend up to \$5900 from an expiring FY21 grant. We would need to spend it this month. We don't come up with any ideas so it probably won't get spent.
- 3--- **Security issues at the Cowell** John reports there was a one-time theft of money between Thursday night and Friday morning back in April. He spoke to the police chief but did not file an official report. They suggested installing a camera in the lobby which he did.

4--- Cowell Facilities Director report

- John has \$55,000 for Cowell improvements. He's in the process of getting quotes.
- John announces he will continue as the Cowell Gym Director through December.
- A neighbor has complained about the compressor noise. John doesn't think the noise is too loud but will continue talking to the neighbor. He will also look into constructing a fence around the compressors to help with the noise.
- End of year field Day for 4 Rivers is scheduled for next Monday (if there's rain) in the Cowell.
- The electric bill was higher than anticipated so John will be tweaking their use some of this increased cost will be offset by solar credits well eventually receive.
- John submitted a Green Communities Grant for mechanized (electric) shades for the gym.

5--- Updates

- *Arms Field restoration work started today! Little League appears to be using the field. Stefan will message them to tell them to not use the field for the next two weeks. We approve the expenditure of \$13,000 from the FY 23 Mohawk Woodland Partnership grant to pay for the work. The work needs to be completed by June 30th and paid shortly thereafter.
- * Code of Conduct violation spoke to all parties, resolved informally
- * Pickleball approve the purchase of additional nets for us by the Pickleball Program.
- * **Budget expenditures** in addition to the expenditures approved at our last meeting and the nets for the Pickleball Program we also approve the purchase of inflation pins, pinnies, and a pickleball set for general gym use (not part of the Pickleball Program). Expenditures should be submitted prior to June 30th.
- * **Ping pong** talk about the need to lock this room which may conflict with the need to have an emergency exit. Diana has secured the donation of a third ping pong table.

6--- Any other business or updates - none

7--- **Next meeting** – no meeting in July. We hope to meet at our regular meeting time (of the second Wednesday of the month) in August. This would be August 10th at 6:30