Rosendale Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes

Present: Commissioners Kristina Carr, Dave Hattenbrun, Lisa Jerkowski, Claudia Joseph, Kieran Liggan-Casey, Frank Klepeis, Reta Sorge; Recreation Clerk Dorene Whitaker; Town Board Liason Ashley Sweeney.

The meeting was called to order at 7:15 pm.

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

1.**Old meeting minutes:** C. Joseph requested amendment to the Trees for Tribs item to reflect the need for ongoing management. K. Carr moved that it now read: "K. Carr reported that the riparian buffer planted in 2017 along the streambank behind the tennis courts was recently tended. Many invasive vines were removed and the area will require some continuing maintenance to remain healthy". Seconded by L. Jerkowski. All in favor.

2.**Rec Center Marquee**: K. Carr reported that the Town Board has approved a bid for replacement of the marquee. A. Sweeney anticipates that this will be done within the next 3 months.

3.**Solar panels**: K. Carr shared a letter from Central Hudson to our Town Clerk regarding credits on our bill from electricity generated by the solar panels. The letter suggested that our generation is "behind the meter" and will not appear on the bill. We are unable to confirm what our system is. C. Joseph has been in touch with the engineer who oversaw installation of the system in 2006 and agrees to pursue this issue.

4. **Tree Planting site**: Adam Watson and Andrew Knicely of Canopy Tree Service kindly agreed to attend our meeting again to help us decide on a site for the proposed Norway Spruce tree they have offered to plant. There was confusion after the last meeting, held at Maple Hill Hall, as to the exact location chosen at that time. The groups walked the Rec Center property and ultimately decided unanimously upon the site near the rock and grass installation on the north side of the entrance to the park. The rocks, placed by the Women's Club decades ago, will have to be moved but they have expressed willingness to do so after preliminary discussions. Final approvals will need to be obtained from them, as well as from The Highway Department, the Water Department, 811, and the DOT. Electric access will have to be installed at some point as well.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

1.Access to calendar of events: C. Joseph requested more information as to events held at the Rec Center. D. Whitaker will bring to each monthly meeting the calendar of scheduled events for the month as well as the monthly financial report from Town Hall. We again discussed the group's interest in encouraging more ongoing community events at the Rec Center.

2.**Pool Update**: D. Whitaker reported that the pool is ready for its opening this Saturday, June 24. Staffing is full. The concession stand has recently been re-painted with new flooring. A new, seemingly reliable, chlorine vendor has been arranged. A new assistant pool manager has been hired. Pre-registration for swim lessons and pool memberships was held last week which was highly successful and it is planned to make this an annual event.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 pm. The next meeting will be July 19 at 7:15 pm. Respectfully submitted, Kristina Carr, Chair