

# **Town of Amenia Recreation Commission**

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## **Opening:**

The regular monthly meeting of the Town of Amenia Recreation Commission was held on the first Monday of the month on the 4th of May. The Meeting was called to order at 5:30. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and the fire exits described by the Chairperson.

The following members were present:

Chris Klingner  
Rick Langi  
Chip Watt  
Larissa DeLango

V Doyle was present as the Town Board Liaison..

The minutes from the previous month were approved with any corrections noted.

## **Visitors:**

Doug Wilkie, USA Martial Arts, approached the Commission to present a proposal to start a family karate program for the Town of Amenia. Mr. Wilkie has 11 existing programs throughout northeastern CT. The students range from 5 years old to 63 years young. He has his own business insurance and can collect fees from the students or pay a fee to the Town for the use of the gym. A ten week program is priced at \$80 per family member with a discount of \$20 for any additional student from the same family. He envisioned the program to start in September and all his professional black belt instructors have been background checked. This program will be reviewed with the full Commission and should be approved without issue.

## **Business:**

-The proposed playground by Parkitects was updated by L DeLango. The DEC has requested updates on plantings that will buffer the wet lands as described in the project. There will be a zero net fill after the removal of the existing sand and replaced with wood fiber materials. The need to enlist people from the Town and machinery was requested. The outdated and dangerous playground equipment that is currently on site will be removed shortly.

-The Commission Chairman is looking for any new or additional agenda items.

-Max Smith is working on his Eagle Scout Project by building an information kiosk at Beekman Park. The Town Board is to approve funding.

-The Amenia Monarchs would like to donate a bench in the name of Bob Boyles to be placed near the entrance of the Park.

-Security Camera's will be brought up again at a future meeting of the Commission.

-The funding of any future activities that are not "Town" activities need to have clarified guidelines. This was tabled for the short term and will be revisited.

**. Closing**

-Meeting was adjourned at 6:50 PM with the next Recreation Commission Meeting scheduled for the first Monday of June at 5:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Chip Watt  
Recreation Commission Secretary