6/2/25 Wilmington Recreation Commission (WRC) Meeting Minutes, taken by Sara Molina.

Attendees Guests Sara Molina (SM) Samantha Kondracki (SK) Emily Beeman (EB)

Call to Order - 6:35 by SM

1. Agenda additions or deletions – EB: idea of toy library

2. Approval of minutes from 4/7/25 – Motion to approve as written, by SK second by EB, all in favor.

3. Budget update - we are on budget for this year. Pending expenses are summer rec camp training, materials, and Buzzy Towne Bench or table. Will investigate local bench/table options.

4. Summer Rec –Fully staffed, director and assistant are planning, staff trainings are being organized.

5. Swim lessons update - 1 Lifeguard and 1 Instructor hired, unable to find another instructor or lifeguard. Program will move forward with midweek lessons at Brook Bound Inn and Saturday lessons at Lake Raponda. Received a total of \$6500 in grant funding to use toward swim lessons, from Deerfield Valley Rotary, Ben and Jerry's, and Step into Swim.

6. Buzzy Towne discussion and survey results

a. scheduling challenges, so summer kickoff will shift to collaborate with Wilmington Works Village Stroll 'Picnic in the Park' on July 12. Rec will host games in Buzzy Towne Park. Will also plan to do an end of summer celebration: movie in the park.

b. 3 physical priorities from survey results: playground, seating areas, walking/biking trail, shading. Overall support for more activities in the park, and using it as community event/activity space (Farmers market, concerts, kids activities, movie nights, fitness events). The Rec commission will continue to brainstorm/plan over the summer, researching natural and flood zone approved options for the above.

7. New Business – EB suggested the idea of a toy library, or library of things. Commission is interested, and will revisit.

Meeting for the month of July is cancelled. Next meeting is August 4, 6:30 at The Vault.

Motion to Adjourn – 7:55pm, moved by EB, second by SK, all in favor.