

Town of Orwell Recreation & Parks Committee

Orwell Town Office

March 9, 2026

Attendance: Liza Eddy, Theresa Nolan, Maxine Saville, Kate Hunter, Jess Krol, Mike Christian



Public: Mary Buxton, Andrea Treadway (running Zoom)

Call to order: 6:36pm

Public comment

Mary Buxton – interested in fixing or replacing goals on 22A fields. Maxine responded that there is a high priority item for a number of reasons and appreciate that Mary came to ask about the goals.

- Resignation of Chair – Theresa can no longer serve as chair but would like to remain on the committee.
 - Maxine thanks Theresa for stepping up for the last year.
- Liza nominates Maxine to be Chair of committee, Theresa seconds motions
 - Concern expressed about the agendas and other committee documents going out on time. Agenda must be posted 48 hours before each meeting and in consideration of town office staff work hours, posted online and in three public places.
 - Minutes must be out within 5 days, posted in three places and online by town office staff.
 - Nomination passes.
- Kate moves to nominate Jess for Vice Chair, Maxine seconds
 - Nomination passes.
- Theresa nominates Kate for Secretary, Liza seconds
 - Nomination passes.
- Soccer goal: discussion of goal purchase
 - Maxine presented portable nets each costing \$1200, committee discussion
 - No installation cost. Nets need to be pulled down for winter
 - Mowing and maintenance is a separate item
 - Andrea let committee know that once the bandstand is completed (electricity, landscaping) remaining funds will be available
 - Committee recommends the Select Board consider semi-portable nets like those used on other fields in the region. Cost is approximately \$4000. A second but less lasting option is portable nets at \$2,600.
- Egg Hunter scheduled for day before Easter, April 4
 - Maxine will draw money out of the approved budget funds to pay for candy.
 - Andrea mentions reimbursement is the way to spend town funds. Pay then bring your receipt to the town office.
 - Fortnightly will have their bake sale at the same time.
- Saturday, May 16 is Town Wide Yard Sale
- Interested committee members for 2026 include Jess, Kate, Maxine, Theresa, Liza
- Next meeting: Before the first Select Board meeting in June at 6:30pm