Park Committee Monthly Meeting Minutes, Town of Russell, November 5, 2026 at 6 p.m.

- Chair called the Town of Russell Park Committee board meeting to order on October 8, 2026 at 6:13pm at the Russell Town Hall. Chair Elise Schuler, Vice Chair Stevie Schuler, and Treasurer/Secretary Mary Huhta present.

- Treasurer Report -
    - Current - reviewed current budget
    - ARPA Fund - finalized purchase plans for remaining funds
    - Final ARPA Report - will have special meeting later in November to finalize end-of-project paperwork; E.Schuler to do first draft; Huhta to finalize budget paperwork

- Chair Report - no new news

- Echo Lake
    - Table/buoy storage - Parks Committee to leave it up to Town for preferred storage method

- Rice Park
    - Pavilion fundraising
        - Progress update - reviewed current fundraising amounts
        - Golf Scramble - check in the amount of $1000 was donated this week
        - Thank Yous / Donation Letters - S. Schuler to prepare thank-you cards for donations
    - Misc. updates
        - Porta-Potty
            - 2026 - plan to remove current porta potty for the season
            - 2027 - private seller has been difficult to communicate/plan with
                - Motion made by S. Schuler to forgo porta potty this year; seconded by E. Schuler and Huhta
        - Basketball court
            - landscaping plan - discussed safety/liability concerns with perimeter of basketball court; plan to ask Town Board what the finish plan/timeframe is for this
        - Sandbox - Huhta to call Peterson to get filled
        - Landscaping
            - finalized plan to mulch entire fruit planting area
            - will create another community volunteer night to do this once mulch is delivered
        - Table/bench storage for winter - Parks Committee to leave it up to Town for preferred storage method

Next regular Parks Committee Meeting Thursday, December 3, 2026 at  6 pm.