

Town Recreation Plans Studied

Director May Be Appointed to Head Activities

Since the adoption of its recommendations for next year's recreation program by the Town Board in its budget, the Amherst Recreation Committee has been meeting regularly to work out the details and implement the program. One of the first problems the committee will have to cope with is the appointment of a new director of recreation. The committee recently urged the Town Board to make an early appointment of the director so that he may join with them in completing plans for next year's program. It is expected that the committee will screen the several applications it already has before it, as well as any new ones received, and make a definite recommendation to the Town Board shortly after the first of the year.

Herbert J. Mols, chairman of the committee, stated that the committee is not concerned with youth recreation alone, but rather with the formation of a recreation program for the residents of Amherst of all ages. In other words, the program will include everything from marble shooting tournaments to shuffleboard and from ice skating to swimming.

The committee is considering the appointment of a full-time director. This, however, as a part of the long-range program and such recommendation will probably not be made until the committee works out a year-round recreation program.

Swimming Pool Chairman Named

The committee recently met with representatives of Amherst service clubs to discuss plans for a town swimming pool. The project was enthusiastically received and a temporary committee, under the chairmanship of Commander William Weber of Lamm Post, was appointed to explore the project further and enlist public support for a possible bond issue to finance construction.

The committee also advised the Town Board that it desired to make an early start on construction of the Thruway-Royal Playground and the construction of shelter houses at Sattler Park and Kingsgate playgrounds. Accordingly, the committee asked the Town Board to retain the necessary architectural and engineering consultants to draw up final plans so that construction contracts could be let as soon as weather permits in the spring.

The committee will deviate from its usual weekly business meetings to attend to its own recreation at member Howard Schum's home on Wednesday, Dec. 19.