

Minutes Parks and Recreation
Town Hall
November 7, 2016

Call to order 7:39 PM

Members Present: Wyona Lynch-McWhite, Frank Culmone, Doug Thornton, Steve Victorson, Ed Frack

October 17 Minutes Reviewed - Motion to approve with two corrections, Doug. Second Ed. Approved 5-0

Beach Updates

Bob, reviewed dock removal. Recommended that remaining canoes and kayak owners be called, based on sticker numbers. Any without stickers call Bob for impounding. Get sailboats to the repair guy before the Winter starts. Impounded boats: Put a note in the paper and ask them to be removed, otherwise they will be auctioned off. Deflate 3 rubber rafts and put in boat house. Wyona did call the guy about the catch records on Bare Hill Pond. Steve will call Rick West to turn off the water. Steve contacted Allie to take care of the sailboat repairs.

Field updates

Lancaster Rd Path - received an email regarding the trail. Mowed in the Summer. Trees moved etc. The washout which happened a few weeks ago looks to be repairable and is localized. Appears that a fallen tree diverted water from a drain causing the washout.

Wyona, is this part of a recent project? It was done with state grant money in 2007 or 2008. What do we need to do? Are there funds available? Jim Lee (present at meeting) is willing to help out. He will talk to snowmobile people about finding a tractor and fixing the trail. Materials would be 250.00 or so. With labor free. Calling Pinards would probably be 500.00 or so. Does not feel a future washout will reoccur, once the tree is removed. Since they did the initial work, Wyona wants to see a Pinards quote. Jim Lee will contact Pinards. Wyona expressed concern that it is done properly. Wyona will circulate estimate costs once they are received. Jim Lee will try to convince students who are working on the field house to give us a call and get on the agenda.

Trees on the common that were cut down. Was there any resolution? We need to inform the tree warden that we should have been contacted regarding this project. There is a tree fund for replacement trees. Ask Bill Caulderwood or the tree warden what is the replacement strategy?

Electric Box

Wyona asked about electrical box repair. The church called Doug and asked him to show them how to use the box. The box is repaired minus the lock. All agreed that we should ask Rich Nota replace the lock and restore the box to its previous status.

Memorial Sculpture - Request to consider a dog sculpture to honor a child. The commission discussed the request, the options for placement and the potential upkeep. There is a need for more information and also need to find the right spot for such a memorial. The was agreement in the commissions decide to help the requesting family make this work, but we need to come

up with a plan. To our knowledge, we have never okayed art as a memorial. What about the contested land? Could that be an area for such memorials?

Doug will discuss with the art commission.

Doug received another Lacrosse request for next Summer

Doug will send out a reminder regarding ski club signups.

Two weekends ago when it rained, the youth teams cancelled, but the adult league played and really chewed up Park field. This past weekend, there were multiple games and the field was also in tough shape.

PR rep on War Memorial commission - discussed this position. Steve Gordon, former parks and recreation member volunteered for this position. Ed motioned that that Steve be appointed. Doug seconded. Passed 5-0.

Budget Updates - All budgets were submitted. At this point, nothing was returned. Reviewed the budget. Frank reminded us that some of the necessary beach purchases could be purchased based on money coming in next year. Discussed how to make the purchases prior to the Summer. Doug will confirm the money amount that was swept.

New Business - Michelle Catalina: Planning board. The planning board wants to make a sidewalk that will impact the stone wall project that the commission submitted for possible capital funding.

Adjourned 941PM