

Parks and Recreation
Town Hall
August 7th, 2017

Call To Order 735PM

Present at start: Doug Thornton, Joe Reynolds, Steve Victorson,
Frank Culmone arrived 750.

Doug: We do not have a quorum from the last meeting and cannot confirm the minutes.

Field Updates -

Darren McGann Baseball Field Maintenance - Provided a document for this years maintenance costs. Would like to continue with the 50/50 split. Discussed irrigation of Ryan Land Field 1 - Proposing to split/share that new cost with the town. The plan is to each year improve the facilities and continue with regular maintenance. Noted that when the school project starts, fields will have even more use.

Frank asked if the vendors were satisfied with last years payment.

Darren apologized for some of the payment confusion and confirmed that vendors were satisfied.

Frank, asked if the 50/50 split was normal and if we should increase the towns portion?

Doug - Doug confirmed that the 50/50 split was the standard request for field maintenance. Then clarified that the 50% for irrigation is an actual investment. He also reminded the board that other costs such as the McCurdy Track parking lot re-grading are pending.

Doug - Asked about depth of irrigation pipes and wanted to make sure that the project would be done properly.

Steve - Is the vendor someone that you know? Important to make sure that the irrigation vendor does work up to standards. Darren will be present when all work is being performed.

Steve - Asked about clearing the growth along 3rd base line.

Doug - We will discuss with DPW/Tim in the Spring.

Doug - Motion to improve 50% of the 30,600 cost associated with annual baseball field maintenance and additional irrigation system cost. Steve seconded the motion. Approved 4-0

Additional cost proposals may be required, per Frank. Frank will check with Dave.

Christmas Tree on the Common - Discussed new Christmas tree proposal, lighting and placement.

Flag at the track - New flag is up. Needs a new clip to secure the flag at the bottom. The delay was not knowing who had the key. Doug now has a copy.

Track parking lot grading - Needs more gravel. DPW will spread the additional gravel if we authorize the purchase. Doug Motioned to approve and additional 500.00 on gravel for the much needed improvements to the track parking lot. Joe Seconded Passed: 4-0.

Vandalism around the track - To prevent, we were asked to put up signs saying closed dawn to dusk.

Joe - How about open 1 hour before sunrise and 1 hour after dusk? This will allow people enough time to finish their activities.

Doug - Will work on signage for next Summer and discuss for next meeting.

Steve - Is a new rule necessary? Why do the police need a rule to go to the fields and disperse groups of kids who are there on off hours?

Doug - will discuss this at a future meeting.

Doug updated field maintenance

Beach Updates

Joe - Drill and bonfire. Pay period change seems to have worked. Sold 609 stickers. Joe still needs to train the beach staff how to input sticker receipts. Would like to see the safety drill brought up to a higher level of intensity. Also, discussed making it a weekly drill.

A new vendor was found and the boat will be delivered for next season. With the selected vendor having a problem, finding and getting a new boat built and ready, for this season proved difficult. Joe, should we just ask them to start building it? Doug, with more time perhaps we should revisit the type of boat. Should we have a boat that is capable of patrolling the pond? Bob said only the environmental police could patrol and stop speeding boats. Bob, reminded the board that we sized the boat for certain specs and that we needed to stay with those parameters.

Bob - Talk to Allie about getting the current safety boat motor fixed. Send it over to Tri-City Marine. This would also be good to have a backup.

Joe will ask Allie.

Doug - has the beach staff been checking for stickers on canoes?

Bob has not heard anything regarding canoes without stickers, but will check at the end of August.

Bob - we still have rubber rafts, two canoes and a double kayak unclaimed. Bob would like to use the rubber rafts as a skiff. What should we do with the left over boats?

Doug - Let's just use at the beach until or if claimed.

Joe, do we have a policy?

Bob - Check town hall policy for lost and found.

Bob - Rock markers are out, will permanently set them after the draw down.

Joe - What is the amount of water a life guard can watch and are the rafts within distance standards. Joe will ask Allie for any information from conferences that she has attended. Joe will also ask Allie for copies of those documents.

Steve had a citizen request for paddle board racks. Bob suggested racks along side the beach house, which can be locked.

Fresh Air Fund - Let's bring in a fresh air fund person to discuss the program.

Discussed lesson instructor pay and Friday lesson start. The Friday start was not ideal.

Bob - Crew dock ramp has cracked 3 times. Wondering what is happening? It does not make sense. Does not appear to be from a manufacture defect. Has questioned the crew team

Bob - Only 6 speed boats are allowed down the ramp at a time. This needs to be watched and a system must be in place by next season. Have numbers 1-6 hanging on the gate to help keep count. Turn a number over every time a speed boat goes on the lake. We need to give the beach staff a guideline as to

what is a speed boat. Bob suggest that we put down the metal gate and stop all boats. Force them to hose off the boat and then check for stickers.

Frank - How to move this forward? Bob, it is part of the permit and we need to enforce the rules.

Doug - We will put on the agenda for the next meeting and have a policy in force for next season.

Budget Updates

End of year information - no money swept from revolving as there was less than 10k left. Roughly 5500 carried over. We overspent our revenue by roughly 4500.00. If that happens again we will go into the red. Beach over by 1100. Allie over by 500.00.

Previous events

Doug discussed long board event. All seemed to go well.

Meeting Adjourned - 941PM