

Parks and Recreation Committee

February 21, 2018, 5:30 PM at the Becket Town Hall

Members present: Rita Furlong, Tina Levasseur, and Maddy Elovirta

Guest: Thomas Austin, Camp Greylock Maintenance Head

Chairman Rita Furlong called the meeting to order at 5:35 PM.

The minutes of the January 10, 2018 meeting were read and accepted as presented.

There was discussion regarding the MassDevelopment Grant application. It was voted to take no action.

Thomas Austin came to visit with the members. Mutual interests were discussed. Tom was happy to be informed of a permanent facility at the town beach. Tom also suggested that we set up an appointment to meet with Michael Martin and Lucas Horn in early May to discuss the beach area.

Maddy was asked to talk to Highway Supt. Chris Bouchard regarding the trees that are dead and need removal at the beach.

It was voted that the Parks and Recreation Committee would sponsor the planting of native shrubs in memory of Mercedes Gallagher. This will be done in the spring. The Westfield Wild & Scenic will also look into information placards for the kiosk.

It was voted to replacing the poles at the Becket Tennis Courts. Rita reported that they are no longer standing upright. This will be researched on how to proceed with the project.

The members got a report on the outcome of the letter sent to Mrs. Midori Kushi regarding the repair of the deer at the top of the hill on Rte. 20. Mrs. Kushi's wishes will be honored.

Meeting adjourned at 6:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Maddy Elovirta, Clerk