

Department of Parks & Recreation

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Parks & Rec Board 9/10/13 Approved

Minutes

September 10, 2013 5:15 P.M. Meeting

Members Present:

James Bosworth, James Vieira, Joseph Vieira and Timothy Lancaster

Members Absent:

Lisa Tavares, Sherri Tetrault

Minutes

Motion made and seconded to accept the Minutes of August 13 and 27, 2013. Voted 3-0-0

Youth Sports Fields

Deborah Wender presented the board with a feasibility study of the Quinn School property fitted with multiple youth athletic fields utilizing the space owned by the Town and the School Department. By developing these fields, the Dartmouth Youth Soccer Association would be able to relocate leaving the existing soccer fields on Russells Mills Road for usage by the High School. After reviewing the costs the board did not feel it would be in the best interest of the town to continue to pursue this plan. The School Department had mentioned turfing the existing soccer fields to allowed shared usage between the soccer association and the schools. The board believes that the cost of installing artificial turf at the current DYSA park property is a large expense that does not solve the problems of the community. Therefore, the board made a motion to, with the consent of the DYSA, turn over the park property on Russells Mills Road to the School Department in exchange for the school property adjacent to Quinn School and the Living Memorial Stadium on Slocum Road with the intent of seeking park grants and funding to turf the stadium for use by all groups of the town and secondly build natural turf fields adjacent to Quinn for the benefit of the entire community. Additionally, by turning over the Russells Mills parcel to the School Department, DYSA and the School Department can work together to develop and install artificial turf to jointly meet their needs. Voted 3-0-0

- ? Shuttle Busses
- ? Port-o-jons
- ? Temporary Fencing
- ? Rain Day Insurance

Mr. Sylvia stated that if the Parks & Recreation Board did not want to take on the endeavor that he would since he already paid a \$700 deposit. The Board did not like the idea of "leasing out the property". They invited Mr. Sylvia to the next Parks & Recreation meeting to discuss further.

Director's Report

>There were five individuals that abused their beach sticker privileges by giving the sticker they purchased to a non-resident of the town. Motion made and seconded to send a letter suspending their right to purchase a new season sticker until they meet with the Parks & Recreation Board. Voted 3-0-0

>Mr. Cressman was considering having a lift installed for \$4,300 onto the stake body truck if there was a need. Motion made and seconded to have the lift installed to allow better usage of the vehicle. Voted 3-0-0

>The summer program fee was raised from \$65 to \$70 for this past year and the field trip costs were drastically reduced. In doing so, the program revenue was approximately \$1,400 after salaries and expenses. Motion made and seconded to keep the fees at \$70 for 2014. Voted 3-0-0

>The Congregational Church of South Dartmouth is requesting the use of Apponagansett Beach on February 9, 2014 to host a Polar Bear Plunge. All proceeds will be deposited into a scholarship fund to allow less fortunate children to attend the Parks & Recreation Summer Programs. Motion made and seconded to approve the event. Voted 3-0-0

Motion made and seconded to adjourn at 7:10 P.M. Voted 3-0-0

ATTEST:

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