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Parks & Rec Board
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Minutes

October 22, 2013
5:15 P.M. Meeting

Members Present: James Bosworth, James Vieira, Joseph Vieira, Sherri Tetrault and Timothy Lancaster

Members Absent: Lisa Tavares

Minutes

Motion made and seconded to accept the Minutes of September 30, 2013. Voted 4-0-0

Mr. Nickolas Sideris

Mr. Sideris met with the Board in response to the letter he received regarding the beach sticker he purchased for the 2013 summer season. The sticker was issued his Mercedes-Benz but was found at Round Hill Beach on a Honda with a different license plate than that written on the sticker. Mr. Sideris explained that he had relatives visiting from Greece and needed a larger vehicle to transport them to the beach. He asked another family member from Fairhaven to use her vehicle and pulled the sticker off of his car and stuck it on the Honda for that day. The Board explained to Mr. Sideris that he was in violation of the rules and therefore that license plate will not be allowed a beach sticker for the 2014 season. Mr. Sideris understood. Motion made and seconded to suspend 2014 beach sticker privileges for Mr. Sideris' Mercedes-Benz with the license plate listed on file in the computer. A letter will be sent to Mr. Sideris regarding the suspended license plate. Voted 4-0-0

Basketball Hoop at Bridge Street

The Department of Public Works surveyed the land at 21 Bridge Street, the location of the park maintenance building. The surveyor confirmed that the basketball hoop located in the parking lot is in fact on the town property. Motion made and seconded to notify the neighbor owning the

regarding the classic cars purchasing a pass for the concerts. The drivers had to arrive by 6:15 P.M. and would be directed on where to park their vehicle. Week after week there were disgruntle classic car drivers causing a commotion and endangering the safety of staff. Perhaps on a special concert night the classic cars could be invited instead of allowing them to attend every concert. Motion made and seconded to eliminate the classic cars from the Summer Concert Series unless for a special event. Classic car passes will no longer be sold. Voted 3-0-1

The area in front of the gazebo was recently re-loamed and seeded. The patrons attending the Community Band Concerts generally park their vehicles in that area damaging what little grass was there. Motion made and seconded to no longer allow patron's vehicles to park inside the park during the Community Band Concerts. The Community Band Director will be notified of the change. Voted 4-0-0

Beach & Park Regulations

Motion made and seconded to table until next meeting.

Sticker Rules and Regulations

Motion made and seconded to table until next meeting.

Director's Report

>The Cemetery Rules and Regulations passed at Town Meeting. Mr. Sonny Avila spoke in regards to the granite he installed around his lots. According to the new rules it could be removed at any time and Mr. Avila was concerned. Mr. Lancaster assured him on Town Meeting floor that his granite would not be removed.

>Town Council has approved the necessary foundation and burial forms used by area funeral homes. They will both be posted on the town website.

> The CIP request for a new tractor was passed at Town Meeting. A Request for Proposal will be drafted to include the trade-in value of two park tractors as part of the bid price.

>A representative from Atlas Fireworks met at Apponagansett with the Director in regards to the launching area of fireworks for next year's 350th celebration. The gentleman informed Mr. Lancaster that the area behind the gazebo will work out fine using three mini barges that can be launched from the landing. Several detail officers will be needed along the entrances to the park and landing areas keeping unauthorized vehicles from parking there. Parking will be limited to the landing area for sponsors and emergency vehicles. Staff will be allowed to park along West Smith Neck Road. There is a rough itinerary for that day starting with the community band followed by an oldie's group, the incorporation ceremony and Wild Nites leading into the fireworks and starting again after the display concludes until the park is clear probably within an hour or so.

>There is a hold-up on the getting a quote to install elect to the guard shack at Round Hill Beach. The NSTAR representative, Charlie Tavares informed the Director that an electrician must be selected for the job and they must contact NSTAR for pricing to install the telephone pole on site.

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