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Parks & Rec Board
1/28/14
Approved

Minutes

January 28, 2014
5:33 P.M. Meeting

Members Present: James Bosworth, James Vieira, Joseph Vieira (departed at 6:55 P.M.),
Lisa Tavares, Sherri Tetrault (arrived at 6:30 P.M.) and Timothy Lancaster

Minutes

Motion made and seconded to accept the Minutes of November 26, 2014. Voted 4-0-0

Round Hill Marsh

Tabled until next meeting

CIP

Motion made and seconded to accept the Capital Improvement Plan as shown. Voted 4-0-0

Budget

Both a level-funded and a minimum wage increase budget will be submitted to the town for Parks & Recreation. The state has not yet voted on the proposed one dollar increase to the current minimum wage for the next three years. If it does pass, it will go into effect on July 1st in 2014, 2015 and 2016. Although the increase only affects the Laborers and Gate Guards, the board is including all seasonal employees for Parks & Recreation to keep the structure between wages as it is now. The expense budget has been increased by \$450 to include six cellphones for the summer months. One phone will be kept at each beach as well as one phone for each beach supervisor. Motion made and seconded to approve the budgets of Parks & Recreation. Voted 4-0-0

Motion made and seconded to increase the Playground Centers fee by \$5 and to include a one-time registration fee of \$10 per child regardless of the number of weeks registering for. The increase will be necessary to cover the one dollar wage increase if passed. Voted 4-0-0

Signage for 350th

Motion made and seconded to allow wooden kiosks like that of DNRT installed at Paskamansett Landing, Russells Mills Landing, Apponangansett Park and Round Hill Beach. Voted 4-0-0

Softball Structure

Mr. Joseph Vieira would like to see a Dartmouth Softball League run through the town. It would be open to Dartmouth residents eighteen and up. The Parks & Recreation Board would set the rules. Each team would pay a fee to cover the cost of officials and a league manager. The manager would control the program including the usage of the field lighting, maintaining the field and monitoring the games. Mr. Vieira will continue to research this idea.

Southcoast Softball sent a request for the usage of the field at Jones Park from May 1 – August 30. This league is basically the same players as the Branco Softball League but with a different name. The Branco League still has outstanding invoices from their police details. If the players are the same, then the problems of the past few years will probably continue as well. At this time the field has been granted to Dartmouth Lacrosse from May through the beginning of July. Motion made and seconded to table to another meeting when more information is available. Voted 4-0-0

Policies

Tabled to another meeting

The Bucket

Mr. Sylvia was asked to the meeting to discuss payments and gross income of the 2013 season at the Bucket. The board informed Mr. Sylvia that he is in violation of his lease by not paying a large portion of his utilities and not submitting the five percent of gross sales by November 1, 2013 as stated in his lease. The board praised Mr. Sylvia for his efforts on getting the Bucket running and producing good food, but made it clear that his outstanding debts must be paid in order for him to continue this season. Mr. Sylvia explained that the business did not bring in money its first season and that he has paid quite a bit out of pocket. He offered the equipment he owns as a security deposit for the money owed. He also wants to continue this season running the Bucket and will improve in areas such as payroll and food price increases. The board wants the debts paid and is not interested in a security deposit. The board also informed Mr. Sylvia that the freezers need to be emptied and shut off. They should not be running past the closing of the Bucket for the season. Motion made and seconded to have the \$970 in outstanding utility bills plus an extra \$50 for the January electric bill paid by February 7. The five percent of gross along with the 2013 accounting sheets must be paid by March 31 in order to continue with the lease for 2014. Voted 4-0-0

Snow Plow Policy

Mr. Joseph Vieira was concerned that hours were being taken away from the maintenance of the park facilities by having the three retired Bristol County workers plowing the town parking lots. Each retiree is only allowed a total of 960 hours. The other concern is that these drivers only make \$10 per hour of straight time during each storm while the DPW workers are probably making double that plus overtime. It was suggested that a meeting take place with Mr. Cressman

and the Personnel Director, Melissa Medeiros to discuss hiring drivers specifically for snow plowing.

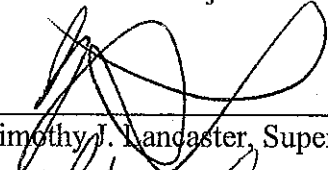
Director's Report

>Motion made and seconded to remove four large trees that are either in the way of the new plots or may cause damage to the neighbor's property in the event of a storm. The price quoted was \$2,965. Voted 4-0-0

>DCTV has turned over the planning of the Incorporation Ceremony on June 8 to the Parks & Recreation Department. A meeting will be scheduled in February to plan the parking, sponsors, shuttles, police details, road closings, etc.

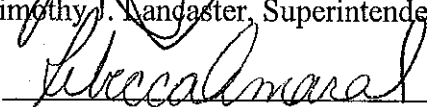
Motion made and seconded to adjourn at 7:30 P.M. Voted 4-0-0

ATTEST:



Timothy J. Lancaster, Superintendent

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