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Parks & Rec Board
6/23/15
Approved

Minutes

June 23, 2015
5:15 P.M. Meeting

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

Members Absent: James Bosworth

Minutes

Minutes were not available.

Jones Field Request

The Hough's would like to hold a softball tournament at Jones Park field in memory of their son. All proceeds received will be donated to Teen Challenge (see attached letter). Motion made and seconded to allow the event on Saturday or Sunday from 4-8 P.M. with a police detail present. The lights are not available. Voted 4-0-0

Discuss Beach Rake

The beach rake is now housed at the Allen Street garage. It takes about 30 minutes to travel from there to Round Hill Beach. Over time it will put a lot of excess wear on the machines. A couple of suggestions were to erect a temporary structure on the grass near the gate house at Round Hill or perhaps near the water tower behind the Rec Center. The structure has to accommodate the tractor and rake which together equal 35' long and 8' high.

Jones Park Lights

Lighting Care was the lowest quote to replace the wiring for the field lights at Jones Park. The reserve fund transfer was granted in the amount of \$20,000. Each portion of the project cannot exceed \$10,000 or there will be procurement procedures to follow.

Bucket Update

Bucket sales are going pretty well. The expenses are equal with the income at this point. A profit margin probably won't appear until the end of the season.

The handicap committee has authorized the use of \$4,800 prior to June 30th to install a cement pad (30' x 40') near the bucket connecting to the existing walkways with handicap accessible tables. At some point a roof will be added with possible sides. The recreation campers can also use as a shelter in inclement weather. Plans will have to go before the Conservation Commission because of the wetland area.

The Beaver Brown Band will be performing on July first, so extra help will be needed from the Board members.

Truck Purchase

The replacement Ford F-550 dump truck with plow was ordered through MHQ in the amount of \$69,928. The truck will not be available until the new year. Motion made and seconded to approve the truck purchase. Voted 4-0-0

Dog Park Update

The dog project received zero bidders. Ms. Wender will resubmit the bid in fall hoping it will be a better time of year when the contractors aren't so busy.

Directors Report

>Motion made and seconded to delete #2 from the Beach and Park Regulations in regards to trespassing on private property. It was strongly suggested by Town Council to not engage anyone crossing over to the private property unless it is a medical emergency. Voted 4-0-0

>A resident called in regards to the placement of his beach sticker. He removed the old sticker from his windshield but cannot clean the area to put on the new sticker and wants to place it in a different location. The Board stated that the sticker must be placed legally on the windshield.

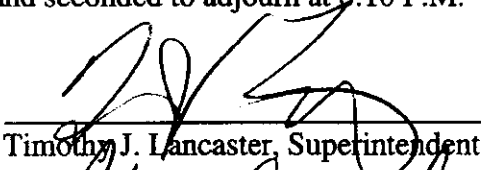
>The Director stated that as of July 1st, Fire District One will be without a Chief for the next thirty days. Mr. Lancaster is next ranking officer and since he works in town, wants to be able to take time if needed for emergency calls. The Board from 1999 approved Mr. Lancaster to attend calls as necessary as long as it didn't interfere with the safety of the park department. A letter was placed in his file. Motion made and seconded to update the existing letter for the current Board stating that any time there is a public safety emergency, Mr. Lancaster is allowed to leave work. Vacation time does not have to be used as long as the lost time is made up. The Board would like an email sent to them when he was off the clock and for how long as well as recording it in a log book. Voted 4-0-0

>Sesac has once again sent information to purchase a license for the summer concerts. The Board does not believe the license is required through MA General Law and therefore will not need to purchase one.

>Complaints have been heard in regards to posting Round Hill Beach closing time a half hour earlier. Discussion ensued regarding leaving the gate open all the time like that of the off-season. This could pose a problem in the morning with patrons arriving prior to the staff. The hours would have to be changed to 8:00 start time and the traffic arm would have to be locked in the raised position which is currently broken. The issue was left unsettled at this time.

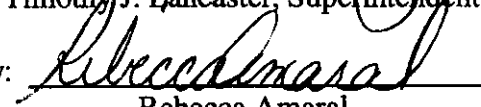
Motion made and seconded to adjourn at 6:10 P.M. Voted 4-0-0

ATTEST:



Timothy J. Lancaster, Superintendent

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