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Parks & Rec Board 9/22/15 Approved

Minutes

Members Present:

Joan Britto, James Bosworth, James Vieira, Joseph Vieira and Timothy

Lancaster

Members Absent:

Sherri Tetrault

Minutes

Motion made and seconded to approve the Minutes of August 17, 2015. Voted 4-0-0

DRPT Roadway/Walkway

The roadway into Dartmouth Regional Park & Trails runs parallel to the walking path. There are several speed bumps along the way. Cars have been seen driving on the pathway to avoid going over the speed bumps. In the past there were markers all the way down the road so vehicles would not be able to drive on the walkway. Since then, they have all been destroyed. Different ideas were discussed to replace those markers. They easiest way will be to purchase large concrete blocks and paint them yellow. They will be placed beside the speed bumps denying vehicles access to the walkway.

Round Hill Restroom

The toilets at Round Hill Beach are regular household toilets that were installed in 1995. The valves leak and they don't flush well. The ladies room has two and the men's room one. The cost will be roughly \$300 each. The Board would like to have all three replaced.

Water Street Property

The owners have taken the property off the market at this time, but it was last listed at \$650,000. The house has been flooded in the past. If purchased, the structure would have to be raised above street level on stilts. There is not a basement. The board is in favor of purchasing the

house through a grant, but must become the property of Parks & Recreation. The Harbor Master could utilize the second floor space instead of renting space. Kayak rentals could also be a possibility through parks & recreation.

Account Balances

Beach sticker and day pass revenue was discussed. Both areas showed a large increase in attendance at Round Hill Beach.

Bucket Re-cap

Arthur Domingos, the manager of the Bucket attended the meeting. He was commended for a job well done managing the Bucket this past season. Mr. Domingos stated that he was open for business one hundred and nine days, grossing just over \$80,000.

Bucket improvements for next season will include a walk-in freezer and some sort of POS system. The lowest quote received for the freezer was \$6,877 with \$1,000 shipping fees. An electrician would have to connect the wiring and MP Construction can install the freezer to the building. Motion made and seconded to purchase the freezer and have it installed prior to the end of the calendar year. Voted 4-0-0

A couple of options for POS systems were researched. Arrangements will be made to have a company meet with the Board for a demonstration of how the system works.

The new picnic tables for the pavilion will be installed this fall.

The Finance Director will be asked if a petty cash account specific for the bucket can be set up to purchase items that cannot wait for the Tuesday food delivery.

Mr. Lancaster stated that each year a price comparison will have to be done on the food vendors. Menu prices will automatically include the tax next season and will be stated at the bottom of the menu board.

Pavilion Update

Motion made and seconded to apply for a Community Preservation grant in the amount of \$65,000 for the pavilion at Apponagansett Park. If the committee requires a money match for some of the project, funds can be used from both the recreation and concert revolving accounts. Voted 4-0-0

Directors Report

- > According to the Department of Public Works, the Padanaram Bridge causeway project is scheduled to begin in early spring of 2016 and completion is expected in late fall. The construction will most likely cause a strain on Bucket sales for next season.
- > The guard shack at Round Hill Beach needs some attention. Lima Construction will send over an estimate to re-shingle the roof, replace the door and all the rotted trim. The windows are in good shape. Depending on the cost, the Board suggested sending an article to Town Meeting.

- > Other beach sticker options are being researched by the IT Tech. Current stickers are being reproduced and handed out as well as changing the plate numbers on an issued sticker and given to a non-resident. A sticker with a chip in it that has to be read by a handheld device was discussed.
- > The Human Resources Director completed the re-classification research for DTEA members. No changes were made to the Principal Clerk's position. The job descriptions will be looked into at a later date. Information was gathered from area towns that may have not been comparable to this position. The DTEA met in Executive Session at the last Select Board meeting. The results are unknown at this time. The Board would like the HR Director to attend their next meeting.

Motion made and seconded to adjourn at 6:45 P.M. Voted 4-0-0

ATTEST:

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