Parks and Recreation Advisory Board

Tuesday October 20, 2015 Meeting Hooksett Municipal Building 35 Main Street Hooksett NH 03106

Meeting called to order at 7:08pm by Chair Jacqui McCartin.

Attendance:

Jacqui McCartin, David Elliot, Deb Miville, Mike Horne Absent: Steve Smith, Richard Cote, Adam Jennings (Town Council Rep)

<u>Approval of Minutes</u>: September 14, 2015 Motion to approve the minutes as amended – voted unanimously.

Public Input: None

New business:

Report from Heritage Commission– Mike Horne was approached by a Heritage Commission member, making us aware before a motion got passed about a new monument. The monument commemorates the veterans who served in the Battle of the Bulge. Mike will advise to "keep our radar on" and will discuss at the next meeting with an update on its approval process.

Recreation Dept report -- Regarding the letter from Mike Horne to DPW Director Diane Boyce – the response stated that the boulder for the Pinnacle Memorial for Bud Locke is ready for installation, and Mike Horne will work with the Heritage Commission and the Conservation Commission to facilitate the completion of the project.

Update from Phil Arnone: His email message (see attached) refers to Petersbrook Park -- the hydro-seeding is complete. Bids are being accepted for conduit and light-pole base installation. Spreading existing and purchasing additional loam will follow.

In regards to HYAA, Fall Sports – Football, Flag Football, and Soccer are coming to an end. The Parks and Rec Dept is in the process of final field preparation, clean-ups, and winterizing. The Eagle Scouts, Library and P&R have recently completed a Story Trail at Donati Park. The DPW and P&R are preparing for another Haunted Trail event this year, held on Oct 30th from 6-9pm.

The WIFI in town hall is not working. Jacqui will contact town employees to find out why.

Conservation Commission report: The design of the bridge at the Merrimack Waterfront Property has been decided upon and approved by the Conservation Commission. There will be a public informational meeting held at the Hooksett Public Library on October 26th at 6pm.

Stacey Howe, HYAA:

Football and Flag Football season should be finishing November 1st. It is hoped that the playoffs will be held in Hooksett, to raise money for the Hooksett Hurricanes Football Team.

Flag Football finishes on 11/15. Nothing but good things is being said by people. Soccer is still in full swing. Baseball is just finishing their season, and basketball season is just about to start with sign-up period.

There is a Kiwanis fundraiser ending this week.

The park lights adjacent to Tri-Town Arena are too low in voltage to be placed at the Petersbrook Fields, so the Parks and Rec Dept wants to move those lights to another location in town, tentatively planned for placement at the parks behind Town Hall for night practices. Still waiting for a response from GE Aviation for our request about turf. If the request falls through, he suggests that we start thinking about sod installation.

Impact Fees and Blackwater Road: Request more information on status from the Highway Dept. and/or Town Planner Jo Ann Duffy. Mike will research it further.

Update to the Five Year Plan: At this date, **t**here is still no response from former Chairman Tom Prasol to our request for a copy of the 5-year plan, so this board does not have possession of the plan.

Sports field signage: Still working as funds allowed. Stacey will ask for a street sign at the Thursday's meeting with Diane Boyce and Phil Arnone.

Motion by Chair Jacqui McCartin to adjourn the meeting at 8:10pm. Seconded by David Elliot. Voted unanimously to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted, Deb Miville - Secretary