

Lee Recreation Commission

March 4, 2013

Present: Phil Sanborn, Geoff Carlton, Dawn Genes, Dave Young, Cynthia McLain, Charles McLain

Guests: Larry Kindberg, Henry Brackett, Stephanie Garcia, Denise Barstow

Phil called the meeting to order at 7:12 pm.

Treasurer’s Report: Treasurer Carlton presented a Treasurer’s Report. There is \$409.05 remaining in the Revolving Account and \$2,781.43 remaining in the Operating Budget account. Discussion on what can get accomplished with the remaining funds in this fiscal year.

Secretary’s Report: Secretary Genes read the minutes from the last meeting. Geoff motioned to approve the minutes as read. Phil seconded. Minutes accepted.

Old Business:

Charles McLain asked about the electrical service and why it is coming from the operating budget. Phil said that the budget committee wanted it under the operating budget even though it is a capitol expense. \$1,900 is targeted for this in the 2013-2014 budget.

Operating Budget for 2013-2014

The Operating Budget that will be voted on March 12 is as follows:

Town sponsored activities	\$3,550
(Egg Hunt, Festival, Fishing Derby)	
Little River Park	
electric bill (PSNH)	\$1,200
electric service to well	\$1,900
overseed, aerate, fuel	\$4,295

Easter Egg Hunt – March 30

Cynthia said we need more plastic eggs as not all are returned at the end of the egg hunt each year. The old and new eggs will need washed to be ready to fill with candy. Volunteers are needed to hide the eggs around 7 am the morning of the egg hunt. Dawn will ask Walgreens if they will donate candy again this year. Approximately 300 children participate. On average, it costs about \$500 per year to host this event.

Fishing Derby – May 11

A letter of request needs to go to the Stevens family to ask if they will host the Fishing Derby at their farm again this year. The Stevens family has been very gracious to allow this even on their farm in years past. Costs last year were over \$1,000 to purchase the stocked fish (\$500), prizes and to hold the fish fry after the event. To hold this year’s event we will need additional support from the community. Approximately 125 kids participate along with their parents and grandparents.

Geoff said that maybe these events will not happen as we have not much left in our budget (\$2,781) and we need to spend the money on the baseball field. Dawn said that these events are popular in town and serve a wide community of citizens who should not have to forgo these events because nearly \$5,000 of our budget went to pay for the special election on turf. Phil suggested a more aggressive campaign to get donations for prizes and food. In future years more sponsors might be needed to participate with us. There was discussion on whether or not there should be a small charge for the fish fry. It was decided that there will not be a charge but that some sponsors should be found to help defray costs.

Dawn made the motion that we move ahead with hosting both events in 2013 with an effort made at finding sponsors for the events and a cap of \$700 for both events. Phil seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Proposed Little River Park Usage and Agreement Form

The Town Administrator, under the direction of the selectmen, drafted a usage and agreement form for the facilities at Little River Park. There was discussion on the specifics of the form content. Edits will be returned to the Town Administrator by Phil.

Other Business:

Henry Brackett spoke that he is in support of the Lee Recreation Commission and is running for Selectman. He said he was here to listen.

The meeting adjourned at 8:56 pm.

The next meeting will be Monday, April 1.