

**Town of Northborough
Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting
October 13, 2015**

October minutes approved at December 1, 2015 meeting

In attendance: David Putnam, Sean McCann, Faith Stevens, Sean Durkin, Dan Nason, David Robillard, Mark Awdycki, Allison Lane and Michelle Lyseth.

5:40pm—Meeting called to order.

5:41pm—September Minutes Approved. David Putnam (DP) made a motion to approve minutes from the last meeting, Sean Durkin (SD) seconded the motion, all in favor.

5:42pm—Recreation Report. Allie Lane (AL) updated the commission with Recreation's financial standings from summer. Recreation brought in roughly \$170,000 more in July and August 2015 as compared to July and August 2014. Much of this is attributed to the success of the full day Recreation summer camp as well as the 'specialty' weeklong camps run throughout the summer with vendors. AL said that Recreation was able to change Stefanie Youssef's employee status from seasonal part time to permanent part time as a result. AL next discussed upcoming programs, including the High School Boys Rec Basketball League, with over 70 players anticipated. AL said she was looking for sponsors to help cover costs, and would advertise sponsors names' on players' t-shirts. The program is due to begin in December.

5:50pm—DPW Report. Dan Nason (DN) said no news to report, other than he is interviewing for his Assistant's position.

5:55pm—Old Business.

- **Halloween Event Proposal.** DP wanted to know if the Halloween event proposal, discussed at the September meeting, had run. AL said no, there was no appropriate space available on town fields to erect a 1000 square foot inflatable 'haunted house' attraction, with lighting and parking, for a weekend in October.
- **Bicyclist at Ellsworth-McAfee Park.** No other complaints have been received regarding the older gentleman who was bicycling around the track at the park at excessive speeds. DP said to leave the sign issue alone for now.
- **Field Scheduling.** AL discussed 'hiccups' for the current Baseball schedule at Memorial Field. Maintenance issues were discussed by the board.

6:10pm—New Business.

- **2016 Field Maintenance Plans.** AL suggested that the Commission visit the fields in the spring. Discussion followed, AL is going to invite Presidents of the youth sports groups to attend the November Parks and Rec Commission meeting to discuss 2016 Field Maintenance Plans.
- **Next Commission Meeting.** The next Commission meeting will be held on November 10 due to scheduling conflicts for November 3.

6:20pm—Motion to Adjourn. Sean McCann (SM) made a motion to adjourn, Mark Awdycki (MA) seconded, all in favor. Next meeting to be scheduled for November.