

**Town of Northborough
Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting
November 1, 2016**

These Minutes were unanimously approved at the Commission's March 7, 2017 Meeting.

In attendance: David Putnam, Sean McCann, Mark Awdycki, Scott Charpentier, Sean Durkin, Allison Lane and Michelle Lyseth.

5:39pm—Meeting called to order.

5:40pm—September Minutes Approved. Dave Putnam (DP) made a motion to approve minutes from the last meeting in September. Mark Awdycki (MA) seconded the motion, all in favor.

5:41pm—Recreation Report. Allie Lane (AL) said that she is writing the Spring and Summer brochure. She is currently planning Summer Camp and is speaking with Cheryl Levesque regarding some 'big changes' for Recreation's camp program; AL wants to add a full day preschool program. Formerly, Recreation's Club Assabet program for preschool ages was run as a morning program only, but AL thinks parents are looking for full day options instead. DP asked if it would be staffed differently, AL said yes, DP asked if they had to be certified, AL said no because it's not considered an educational program. MA asked how the program would differ from in the past. AL said that in the past, summer rec camp was just for kids entering grades k-8 in the fall, but this program would include kids as young as 3. Discussion followed.

6:08pm—DPW Report. Scott Charpentier (SC), updated the Board with respect to Memorial Field improvements. He said the railings and guardrail have been replaced and stakes are out for an handicap accessible route. Regarding Ellsworth-McAfee Park improvements, SC said that handicap accessible routes have been marked with paint, the gazebo has been painted, benches built, and a timber guard rail is in, with 150' more needed at the back of the park. Regarding Assabet Park, SC said that the fence from the Splash Pad in to the playground was removed. AL asked if there are any plans to replace the fence at that park, along Rt 135, SC said not at this time. DP asked about the Church St bridge project; SC said he was told that it should be wrapped up by the beginning of the year.

6:18pm—New Business.

- **DPW Personnel Change-**AL told the Board that Dan Nason, formerly Public Works Director, had moved on to a similar position in Sudbury.
- **Big Truck Day-**AL said that Big Truck Day is back and scheduled for Saturday, June 10.
- **Next P & R Commission Meeting**—the Board agreed that the next meeting will be scheduled for Tuesday, December 6.

6:22pm—Old Business.

- **Challenger Program Update.** Sean Durkin (SD) told the Board that the annual Cornhole fundraiser was a big success. 84 teams participated and a \$5000 profit was made after costs.

6:30pm—Motion to Adjourn. (MA) made a motion to adjourn, SM seconded, all in favor.