

Sandown Recreation Commission
June 17, 2015

The Commission met at Seeley Beach from 6:30 to 7:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman George Blaisdell at 7:10 p.m. Members present were: John Donahue, George Blaisdell, and Veronica Utman. Absent was Terry Treanor, ex-officio. Also present was Deb Brown, Recreation Director.

Ms. Utman made a motion to go into non-public: RSA 91-A:3, II (c).

Mr. Blaisdell seconded the motion.

Roll call vote: VUtman, yes; JDonahue, yes; GBlaisdell, yes.

The meeting went into non-public at 7:12 p.m.

After a vote to seal the minutes, the meeting came out of non-public at 7:20 p.m.

A discussion of the beach review was held. Problem areas are:

Sand erosion covering the stairs.

Deterioration of the hand rail along the stairs.

Fishing in the swimming area (potential danger of lost fishhooks).

Vandalism – most recently of the storage shed.

It was suggested that a sign be posted regarding fishing regulations, and the other problems will be discussed again after review.

Mrs. Brown reported that she had met with Al Lake, Phillips Pond Development Fund. They have started the final phase (as far as Recreation is involved). They are doing a hand harvest of milfoil and fanwort. The total cost is \$6392. The balance of the Phillips Pond account is \$5487. They expect to receive a grant of \$1075.

Mr. Blaisdell made a motion to spend up to \$5487.50 to Aqualogic, Inc. from the Phillips Pond Betterment fund account.

John Donovan seconded the motion.

There was no further discussion.

The motion passed, unanimously.

Mrs. Brown noted that this will close out the Phillips Pond Betterment fund account.

At 7:30 p.m. Pete Aliberti, Sandown Baseball, joined the meeting.

Mr. Aliberti stated that he was representing Sandown Baseball/Softball Association, and the Field of Dreams. These associations had had a brief meeting regarding fund raising. He stated that he was present tonight to ask Recreation if they would agree to sharing the costs (\$1500) for a topographical map. Baseball will contribute \$500 and Field of Dreams is willing to release \$500. He is asking Recreation for a contribution of \$500.

Mr. Donahue noted that the original topographical maps (2007) are currently being provided to Todd Moore. If they are usable, the \$1500 will not need to be spent.

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Mr. Aliberti confirmed that Field of Dreams is willing to contribute their funds (about \$18,000) if the Babe Ruth Field goes forward.

The Commission agreed that, if the current topographical map is not usable, they are willing to contribute \$500 for a new one.

Mr. Aliberti asked how long it would be from receipt of a usable topographical map, to receipt of an estimate of total costs for the project.

Mr. Donahue noted that he would contact Mr. Moore on Saturday. His previous estimates were about 8 hours of working (spare) time.....or a couple of weeks.

Mr. Aliberti noted that he would like to know by the next Recreation meeting so that they could start fund-raising. The Baseball group are hoping to have a golf tournament (with the money raised going to the Field of Dreams/Babe Ruth Field).

Mr. Donovan noted that even though the total project may take 3 to 5 years, it will be kept alive, and now will be active. Obviously we need to see the final proposed expense before it becomes a reality.

Mrs. Brown related that the irrigation system at Miller Field (the spot that was repaired last year) is sinking (where we think there is a missing irrigation head) and needs to be dug up. She asked about when the Baseball Association will be ending their season. Mr. Aliberti said that Friday is the last day for AAA – majors and minors are all done (unless there is a Quin-town district tournament..for practices. This will be over by the second week of July. However, if it is necessary to stay out of left field, Baseball can adjust.

Mrs. Brown also noted that Baseball held an All-Star game at Miller Field last week. She said that she should be notified in advance. The porta-potty was over-flowing, and should have been pumped. If there is a Field Day this weekend, this needs to be reviewed. Mr. Aliberti said he would make sure this is taken care of.

Mr. Aliberti exited the meeting.

Mrs. Brown presented requisitions for payment to the Commission, for the summer program. The summer program will be taking in the money to cover these expenses.

T-shirts for summer program (Body Covers)	\$1299.15
Bowling and movies (via credit card)	1040.00
Field trip (Sandlot Sports)	1500.00
Field trip (Canobie Lake – credit card)	3375.00
Field trip (Water Country – credit card)	3200.00
Field trip (Wallis Sands – credit card)	600.00
Field trip (Week 6)	1500.00

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Field Day (VIP Party Rentals)	\$ 400.00
Field Day (Grant Rental)	300.00
End of Season – Wk. 7 (credit card)	200.00
End of Season – Pizza party (credit card)	375.00
Cook-out (Walmart or credit card)	450.00

Mrs. Brown noted that a third full-time (certified) life guard has been hired. The two lifeguards previously hired have been recertified.

Mrs. Brown reported that the Garvey soccer field improvements seem to be working.

Mrs. Brown also reported that the Summer Program will be able to use Central School (fields, gym, and bathroom facilities). She also noted that Mr. Biló (who has previously moved the equipment shed from the Rec. field to the school field is in Florida, but will arrange to have it done. The Sandown Highway Department will send a crew to help stake the tents.

The next meeting will not be on July 1st, but will be determined, as needed.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Veronica Utman
Recording Secretary