

Sandown Recreation Commission
April 5, 2017

The meeting was called to order by Chairman George Blaisdell at 6:45 p.m. Members present were: John Donahue, Jessica Scarlett, George Blaisdell, and Veronica Utman. Also present was Deb Brown, Parks and Recreation Director. Absent was Terry Treanor, ex-officio.

The minutes of March 8, 2017, were reviewed.

John Donahue made a motion to accept the minutes.

Ms. Utman seconded the motion.

There was no discussion.

The minutes were approved, with Mr. Donahue and Ms. Utman in favor, and Ms. Scarlett and Mr. Blaisdell abstaining.

Ms. Brown reported on the status of the flooded basement (in the Rec. Building). The Fire Chief, custodian, and DPW director have already been contacted – sump pumps and fans are in place. There is no obvious cause for the flooding. Ms. Brown will contact Bob Villella for information on the initial drainage system installed.

Ms. Brown has also spoken to Scott Hamilton regarding irrigation at Miller Field. He has some ideas about installing remote irrigation boxes, which the mowing contractor could easily adjust. Mr. Blaisdell pointed out that there is still a missing sprinkler head which needs to be located.

Ms. Brown presented invoices for signature, including:

Town of Sandown - \$1200 – for 1st quarter 2017 facility rentals.

Dance Instructor - - \$1035 - for the current session. Ms. Brown noted that the instructor also teaches at Exeter. Their session is over, and the students would like to come to Sandown for the rest of this session (4 classes). She will charge a pro-rated fee.

Town of Sandown - - \$30 – for thank-you gift cards for the custodian and maintenance person for cleaning out the basement. (This was done prior to the flooding, and fortuitously saved a lot of stored equipment.)

Ms. Brown reported that the Board of Selectmen approved the hiring of the lifeguard, and the background check is being done.

Thank-you notes have been received from the Sandown Senior Santa fund for our contribution last Christmas; and from the Nicolaisen family for use of the building.

Upcoming programs include:

April school vacation program (Grades 1 – 5). Tuesday and Wednesday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. It includes a movie field trip with pizza lunch. The cost is \$65.00 for residents and \$70.00 for non-residents. Registration opens April 17.

Certified Babysitter Course – Monday, April 24 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. At the Garvey facility. This is open to residents and non-residents, ages 11-16. The cost is \$40.00. Registration is available online at www.cprsafe.org.

Summer counselor applications will be taken starting April 10 thru April 20. Interviews will be on Sunday, April 23 between 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Part-time lifeguard positions are also available. Information is available at www.sandown.us.

Ms. Brown noted that the instructor for the senior exercise program was injured and will not be able to offer this class.

Ms. Brown also noted that she would like to consider a toddler program.

Ms. Brown asked Mr. Donahue for his input on baseball field grooming needs. He advised that he thought the fields should not require anything over and above the regular seasonal grooming. He suggested contacting Matt Sheehan for his input.

Ms. Brown advised that the Town was visited by a DES representative regarding public access to drinking water. It should be tested 4 times a year and registered with the State. Ms. Brown forwarded the paperwork to the Sandown Health Officer. She also noted that the Rec. building drain in the kitchen still has an odor.

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, April 19, at 6:30 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Veronica Utman
Recording Secretary