WEST BOYLSTON BOARD OF PARKS COMMISSIONERS

November 3, 2014 7:02 PM

Members Present: Steve Blake, Gary Flynn, Jim Pedone (7:15), John Pitro (chair) Members Absent: Bob Dunne

Guests: Jen Breen, Tim Shea, Anthony Sylvia, Chris Rucho,

Approval of Minutes

- Motion Originator: Steve Blake
- Motion Description: Approve minutes for August 2, 2014 meeting.
- Motion Seconded: Gary Flynn
- Motion Discussion:
- Motion Approvers/Disapprovers: Approved

Treasure's Report

Account Balances: Field / \$14,050, Recreation / \$4,287, Pride Park / \$4,206

Deposits since last meeting: Field / \$149, Recreation / \$847.50, Pride Park / \$131

Receipts to be deposited: Field / \$36, Recreation / \$270, Pride Park / \$45

Bills to Approve

- Motion Originator: Steve Blake
- Motion Description: Approve payment of \$1,100 to Play-well Tek
- Motion Seconded: Gary Flynn
- Motion Discussion:
- Motion Approvers/Disapprovers: All Approved
- Motion Originator: Gary Flynn
- Motion Description: Approve payment of Jen Breen's salary / \$300.00
- Motion Seconded: Steve Blake
- Motion Discussion:
- Motion Approvers/Disapprovers: All Approved

Outstanding Permit Fees/Insurance Certificates

The High School's fall fees are the only outstanding fees.

Parks and Recreation Programs

Jen reported that she held a ski club meeting and had 30 children in attendance. Jen stated that there is another ½-day program coming up, that she is in the process of planning for.

7:15 Jim arrived

Facility Requests

John gave Pop Warner approval for use of the All-Purpose Field on November 5th, prior to the meeting and they have provided a check for \$125.00.

- Motion Originator: Steve Blake
- Motion Description: Approve Pop Warner request, pending signatures by DPW & Police
- Motion Seconded: Jim Pedone
- Motion Discussion:
- Motion Approvers/Disapprovers: All Approved

Parks Facilities/Maintenance Items

Painting needs to be completed at the concession stand at the All-Purpose Field.

There are two issues with the retaining walls at the Goodale Park courts. The first being the lime deposits which are a cosmetic matter and Anthony is looking into. The second issue is structural, and Anthony has had the structural engineer evaluate. The engineer advised that no repairs need to be done. The board discussed having an independent engineer (not involved with the construction) take a look at the wall. Chris asked if Matt Colangelo has been asked to take a look at it (he was the clerk of the works on the construction) and suggested contacting town counsel. Anthony will monitor to see if the issues worsen and will have another engineer inspect the wall.

Patriot Fence will install the new netting this week or next. Steve stated that the outfield fence of the Sr. Baseball Field was scheduled to be replaced, but questioned whether it should be put on hold until the master plan has been developed.

- Motion Originator: Steve Blake
- Motion Description: Put the fencing for the Sr. Baseball outfield on hold until the spring
- Motion Seconded: Gary Flynn
- Motion Discussion:
- Motion Approvers/Disapprovers: All Approved

Anthony is getting quotes from other companies for the turf maintenance treatments.

The modification of the Townsend Field has been put on hold, but there is work that needs to be done to the field.

- Motion Originator: Jim Pedone
- Motion Description: To fix Townsend Field as best as can, to Little League spec
- Motion Seconded: Steve Blake
- Motion Amended: Jim amended the motion to include stone dust and baseline to be done now and wait until next year on the infield grass work. Amendment to motion was seconded by Gary.
- Motion Approvers/Disapprovers: Approved (3-1 w/Jim voting no)

The irrigation system at the "A&B" fields is being controlled manually. Anthony will obtain quotes to have the system repaired. Steve asked Anthony to get pricing to have the well cleaned out.

Tentative dates for quarterly walk-thru meetings have been set, with the first scheduled for Saturday March 28th.

Old/New Business

The board discussed what information they would like to see added to the facility request forms.

The sound system at the All-Purpose Field is not working properly. Steve will get prices to have the system repaired.

Tim has mowed the grass at the site where the pool was and the area is being used by the football team for practice.

The basketball courts at Goodale Parks were damaged during a candle light vigil and have been closed since (and lights are shut-off).

- Motion Originator: Jim Pedone
- Motion Description: Keep basketball courts closed until further notice
- Motion Seconded: Gary Flynn
- Motion Discussion:
- Motion Approvers/Disapprovers: All Approved

The goal is to have the frame for the skating rink set-up by Thanksgiving (before the ground freezes).

The board formed a sub-committee to review the rules, regulations, signs and fees.

- Motion Originator: Steve Blake
- Motion Description: Form sub-committee with Jim (chair) and Bob
- Motion Seconded: Gary Flynn
- Motion Discussion:
- Motion Approvers/Disapprovers: All Approved

Steve reported that Pepsi will take back full cases that are not out of date.

- Motion Originator: Jim Pedone
- Motion Description: To empty soda machines at the end of November and return to Pepsi what they will take and store the remaining.
- Motion Seconded: Steve Blake
- Motion Discussion:
- Motion Approvers/Disapprovers: All Approved

Committee Updates/PFC & Open Space

The Parks Facility Committee has a meeting scheduled for Nov 13th, to which the users of the facilities have been invited to attend.

Member Requests

Dugouts with roofs at the Sr. Baseball Field, new outfield fences at "A&B" fields for the spring, and an outfield fence at the Sr. Baseball Field.

- Motion Originator: Jim Pedone
- Motion Description: Adjourn / 9:14
- Motion Seconded: Gary Flynn
- Motion Discussion:
- Motion Approvers/Disapprovers: All Approved

Next Meetings: Dec 1, 2014 and Jan 12, 2015 / 7:00 PM

DATE: 02-12-15