



Town of Southwick

Park and Recreation Commission

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Park and Recreation Meeting Minutes January 10, 2018 6:30 pm

Members in Attendance: Jeanne Reed-Waldron, Mike Massarelli, David DeiDolori, and Cara

Cartello

Members not in Attendance: John Whalley and Mike Sheil

The meeting was opened by Commissioner Jeanne Reed-Waldron at 6:30 pm. The next meeting of the Park and Recreation will January 24, 2018 at 6:30 pm.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Review Minutes and Bills

Bills were reviewed and approved. Minutes were reviewed and approved.

Whalley Park

Rob Levesque called Mike Massarelli prior to the meeting to advise that Jason Larochelle of JL Construction submitted the final change order and payment request to R. Levesque Associates however they were incomplete and not signed in the correct areas. They will advise P&R when the paperwork is complete. Stacy Smith sent in payment for softball. The board requested she attend a meeting to discuss her program.

Rail Trail

The friends group will investigate the street sign located between Depot Street & RT 57 sections of the trail. It's a new street sign indicating that there is a curve ahead; there is no curve ahead. This was not approved by P&R. The Friends Group was not aware of this sign and will take a look at when the snow melts.

Budget Review

Discussion of budget items. Tools and equipment are needed for the park and rail trail. A push blower, backpack blower, and grass collection system is needed. There were complaints from teams renting the fields over the summer about the clippings on the ball fields. We need playground mulch at Whalley Park. The mulch has compressed over the years. Mike Massarelli motioned to approve adding a pay increase due to increased responsibilities for Cara Cartello to the 2019 budget request; Dave DeiDolori seconded and the motion was approved. Review Dick Grannells email on suggestions for stop signs along the rail trail. The board will consider replacing the stop signs with larger ones per Dick's request. They weren't in favor of a sign stating stop sign

ahead but will discuss this at a later date. Dave said in 2018 Congamond Road will be under reconstruction so there isn't a need to add signs at the Miller Road and the Congamond Rail Trail because there will be street lights installed.

New Business

A new couch and rug are needed for the Community Center room. Organized playgroup is held there twice a week and have not been updated in many years.

Meeting called to a close

7:32 pm Mike Massarelli motioned to adjourn the meeting; David DeiDolori seconded the motion. The meeting was called to a close.

Submitted by:
Jeanne Reed-Waldron
John Whalley
David DeiDolori
Mike Massarelli
Milza Shail