

WEST BOYLSTON BOARD OF PARKS COMMISSIONERS

July 17, 2017 7:10 PM

Members Present: Steve Blake (7:30), Dave Castagnetti, Gary Flynn, Jim Pedone (chair)

Members Absent: none

Guests: Vernon "Butch" Jackson (DPW Director)

Approval of Minutes

- Motion Originator: Gary Flynn
- Motion Description: Approve June 5, 2017 minutes
- Motion Seconded: Dave Castagnetti
- Motion Discussion: - Motion Approvers/Disapprovers: **All Approved**

Treasure's Report

	FIELD	RECREATION	PRIDE PARK	FERT/PEST
CURRENT BALANCE	\$ 9,200.20	\$ 2,028.27	\$ 2,036.37	\$ 6,298.00
BILLS PAID	\$ 2,434.03	\$ 44.49	0.00	0.00
TO BE PAID	\$ 1,984.92	0.00	0.00	\$ 3,702.38
DEPOSITS MADE	0.00	0.00	0.00	-----
TO BE DEPOSITED	\$ 4,250.00	0.00	0.00	-----

Outstanding Permit Fees/Insurance Certificates/Facility Requests

Three checks received and to be deposited – Little League / \$ 2,520, Women's Softball / \$1,600 and Worcester County Tennis Academy / \$ 130. The fee for the July tennis lessons being run by Worcester County After-school Tennis is outstanding. Insurance certificates have been received from all spring/summer permit holders.

The Little Gym of WB has requested use of Pride Park on Aug 8th (4-5:00PM) to hold a community event.

- Motion Originator: Dave Castagnetti
- Motion Description: Approve Little Gym's request as submitted
- Motion Seconded: Gary Flynn
- Motion Discussion: - Motion Approvers/Disapprovers: **All Approved**

Parks and Recreation Programs

Jim has spoken with the Hollie Lucht, the Recreation Director for Princeton, regarding the director's position for WB. Hollie is looking for a higher rate of pay than the current pay rate. Jim stated that he also has heard from another individual, Norman Vigeant, who has also expressed interest in the position. Jim will forward both resumes to the board members and invite them to the next meeting.

Parks Facilities/Maintenance Items

- Storage units – no change
- Landscaping in area of old fencing at Sr. Baseball Field – stump grinding to be done tomorrow.
- Pride Park – weeds in the sand area, work is completed.
- Lining of parking lots - work has begun.
- Shrubs at Woodland - Butch to check on status of payment from insurance company. Discussed what to plant in the area.
- Stairs at Woodland – will be replacing the wood.
- Well drilling – Steve reported that the project is running over budget and there will be a need to use funds from the revolving account. Dave suggested that Steve check with the Water Dept about controlling the pump.

**Steve arrived*

- Motion Originator: Steve Blake
- Motion Description: Approve \$2,500 field revolving account to finish the well project.
- Motion Seconded: Dave Castagnetti
- Motion Discussion: - Motion Approvers/Disapprovers: **All Approved**
- Poles at Goodale courts – need to be painted, has not been done.
- "B" field pitcher's mound and plate – Butch to check status, might be complete.
- Items from walk-throughs
 - *end post cap* - "B" field entrance to AP field, still needs to be addressed.
 - *electric boxes on light poles*- work to be done tomorrow.
- Tennis Courts back-board – replacement for damaged piece has been received.
- Port-a-toilets - toilet at the softball field has been tipped over more than once, Butch is considering chaining it to the fence.

New Business

- Goal Posts – need to be secured somehow, to keep from spinning. Steve will look into this tomorrow.

Old Business

- Soccer goals – Paul Scally has two pricing for the U10 package - \$1,598 and \$1,900 (per pair). Jim will have Paul look into the freight costs and if it is included in the quoted prices.
- Tennis Courts back-board – discussed under DPW portion.
- Open Space & Recreation Master Plan – have met, but nothing new to report.
- Redo of Townsend Field / Don Marrone – no update
- Project List - *Member Priorities: Rebuild Scoreboard ~9K; Resurface Basketball Courts, ~12K; Sealcoat Walkway ~1.5K – working with Theo on grants for these items*

Jim noted that the resurfacing of the basketball courts needs to be a priority. Steve suggested that the board inform the Town Administrator of the need to have it done and let her figure out how to fund it.

- Tennis court nets – nets and posts have been installed.
- Joint meeting – the three chairs (Parks Commission, Selectmen and PFC) and the Town Administrator are meeting on July 25th.
- Concession stand at AP field – Steve has Welmark to provide a quote to vinyl side.
- Basketball Courts Goodale – fence poles need to be painted, move to DPW list

Committee Updates/PFC, Open Space, Rules & Fees

- PFC – no update
- Open Space – working on finishing the updates to the document.

Members Requests

- Steve – island at Goodale well, weeds need to be addressed.
- Gary – concerned with litter after football games and suggested assessing a deposit on the permit. Jim noted that it did not seem to be an issue last year and that it is the group running the concession stand and not the permit holder that is creating the problem. Jim suggested that the best thing to do is to announce during the games, to put trash in proper place and to have plenty of trash receptacles available.
- Discussed the need to have the part-timer working the full April to Oct period and whether the rate of pay should be increased.

Next Meetings: August 7th and Sept 12th

- Motion Originator: Steve Blake
- Motion Description: Adjourn / 8:29
- Motion Seconded: Gary Flynn
- Motion Discussion:
- Motion Approvers/Disapprovers: **All Approved**

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DATE: 8/7/17