

## **WEST BOYLSTON BOARD OF PARKS COMMISSIONERS**

*November 8, 2021 7:00PM ~ zoom meeting (no video)*

Members Present: Andrea Allen, Steve Blake, Gary Flynn, Jim Pedone (chair), Paul Scally  
Members Absent:

Guests: Sharon Emond, Erin Palumbo

### **Approval of Minutes**

- Motion Originator: Steve Blake
- Motion Description: to approve August 17, 2021 minutes.
- Motion Seconded: Paul Scally
- Motion Discussion: - Motion Approvers/Disapprovers: **All Approved**

### **Treasurer's Report**

FIELD revolving	RECREATION revolving	PRIDE PARK revolving	RECREATION appropriation	PRIDE PARK FY2021	DPW/PARKS FY2021	FERTILIZER FY2021
\$22,314.87	\$3,271.34	\$536.37	\$24,415.00	\$2,000.00	\$9,185.48	\$11,090.65

There is a deposit of \$3,157 that is not reflected in the balance of the recreation revolving acct.

### **Community Input**

Erin Palumbo congratulated Sharon Emond on the incredible fall festival, which was a wonderful event for the community.

### **Recreation Director**

Sharon reported that she is proud of the fall festival, which was a successful event and raised money for the recreation programs. She did voice concerns regarding one of her volunteers being questioned by Selectman Rucho as to where money was going. She felt that he was questioning her integrity and requested that questions be directed to her (instead of a volunteer).

Sharon is organizing a toys-for-tots event for Nov 21<sup>st</sup>. The plans include a magician show, bake sale and photos with Santa.

### **Outstanding Permit Fees/Insurance Certificates/Facility Requests**

#### **Parks Facilities/Maintenance Items**

Updates were provided by Steve.

- "B" field – trench behind outfield fence needs to be loomed and seeded – not done.
- Sr. Baseball field irrigation – pending.
- Fence/netting maintenance–on going.
- Pride Park repairs – *repair is done.*
- Skating rinks – *are being worked on.*
- Wells – *water has been shut off and the winterization is being done on Friday.*
- Clean-up of garden beds & Cranston flagpole – *work has been done.*

### **New Business**

- Courts/basketball & tennis – weather has remained nice and the courts are still open and the lights are still on.

- Motion Originator: Steve Blake
- Motion Description: To turn the lights off next Monday (the 15<sup>th</sup>) during the day.
- Motion Seconded: Andrea Allen
- Motion Discussion: - Motion Approvers/Disapprovers: **All Approved**

- Motion Originator: Steve Blake
- Motion Description: To leave the closing of the courts up to the DPW Director, based on the weather.
- Motion Seconded: Paul Scally
- Motion Discussion: - Motion Approvers/Disapprovers: **All Approved**

- Port-a-toilets – Steve will arrange to have all removed on the 13<sup>th</sup>, except for the ones at the AP field (which are needed for the game on Thanksgiving).

### **Old Business**

- PFC Projects/Mixer – nothing new to report.
- Pride Park – nothing new to report.
- AP field concession stand – material has been ordered. The siding is backordered until Jan.
- Sr. Baseball field dugouts – nothing new to report.
- Sr. Baseball field backstop – Light Dept will work with the DPW to install. The costs of the netting is \$1,600, plus the cost of the poles.

### **Committee Updates/PFC, Open Space**

- Parks Facility Committee – working on the Mixer project
- Open Space Committee – nothing new to report.
- CPC – nothing new to report.

### **Members Requests**

- Sr. baseball field scoreboard (Steve) – needs 3 bulbs and a couple of other items (\$541).
  - Motion Originator: Steve Blake
  - Motion Description: approve the purchase of the parts need for the scoreboard at the Sr. baseball field.
  - Motion Seconded: Gary Flynn
  - Motion Discussion: - Motion Approvers/Disapprovers: **All Approved**

Paul will check if any parts are needed for the score board at the softball field.
- Rink liners (Steve) – Gary will order two plastic liners for the rinks.
- Soccer nets (Steve) – need to be taken down.
- Aerate and overseeding (Gary) – now that the tractor has been repaired, work needs to be done at Woodland. Steve noted that the AP and practice fields need to be done as well.
- Over-time pay/fall festival event – occurred to address the trash.
  - Motion Originator: Andrea Allen
  - Motion Description: approve payment of the over-time pay from recreation acct.
  - Motion Seconded: Gary Flynn
  - Motion Discussion: - Motion Approvers/Disapprovers: **all voting no**

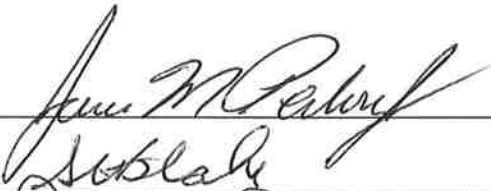

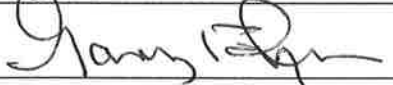
Jim will inform the Town Administrator of the no vote and maybe come up with a solution to address the issue involving trash for events. Sharon noted that there have been a lot of emails received regarding trash at the courts.


- Invoice payments

- Motion Originator: Steve Blake
- Motion Description: authorize Jim Pedone to approve payments of \$500 or less.
- Motion Seconded: Andrea Allen
- Motion Discussion: - Motion Approvers/Disapprovers: **All Approved**

**Next Meetings:** December 13, 2021 7:00PM - Zoom

- Motion Originator: Steve Blake
- Motion Description: Adjourn / 8:00
- Motion Seconded: Andrea Allen
- Motion Discussion: - Motion Approvers/Disapprovers: **All Approved**

  
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