

## WEST BOYLSTON BOARD OF PARKS COMMISSIONERS

January 16, 2018 7:07 PM

Members Present: Steve Blake, Gary Flynn, Jeffrey Legendre (\*7:20), Jim Pedone (chair)  
Members Absent: Dave Castagnetti

Guests: Vinny Vignally

### Approval of Minutes

- Motion Originator: Steve Blake
- Motion Description: Approve December 4, 2017 minutes.
- Motion Seconded: Gary Flynn
- Motion Discussion: - Motion Approvers/Disapprovers: **All Approved**

### Treasure's Report

	FIELD	RECREATION	PRIDE PARK	FERT/PEST
CURRENT BALANCE	\$ 11,592.23	\$ 36.65	\$ 536.37	\$ 6,297.62
BILLS PAID	0.00	\$ 361.64	0.00	0.00
TO BE PAID	0.00	\$ 77.00	0.00	0.00
DEPOSITS MADE	0.00	0.00	0.00	-----
TO BE DEPOSITED	0.00	0.00	0.00	-----

### Community Input - none

### Parks and Recreation Programs

Hollie has resigned mid-December from the Recreation Director's position. She was having a difficult time finding locations to hold programs. Jim suggested leaving the position open, due to lack of interest in programs and such. He also suggested discontinuing the phones (both land and cell). Steve asked if there are any grants available for recreation programs.

- Motion Originator: Steve Blake
- Motion Description: To hold off until the spring and discuss again, and to approach the Town Administrator about grants for funding.
- Motion Seconded: Gary Flynn
- Motion Discussion: Steve noted that the recreation programs were restarted when Leon Gaumond was the Town Administrator, with the discussion that the town would fund the director's position. Jim stated that he has had the discussion with the Board of Selectmen and the Town Administrator and funding thru the town is not available at this time.
- Motion Approvers/Disapprovers: **All Approved**

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

WB Little League has submitted three usage requests forms for "A&B" fields, Mixer and Woodland, and their opening day activities on "A&B". The forms need to be signed off on by the DPW and Police Chief.

- Motion Originator: Steve Blake
- Motion Description: Approve the three Little League requests as submitted.
- Motion Seconded: Gary Flynn
- Motion Discussion: - Motion Approvers/Disapprovers: **All Approved**

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

Butch was unable to attend the meeting – sent the following in an email.

*I'm not feeling well today so I won't be at tonight's meeting. Here's my update.*

*Storage Units - nothing new*

*Woodland Shrubs - nothing new – the plan is to pull all the remaining shrubs between the two entrances to Woodland Park.*

*Goodale Well - Steve Blake had an electrician come in to get the well working. DPW went in and reworked the discharge pipes from the wells inside the concrete vault. From talking to Steve, the well is all set.*

*Basketball Court Poles - nothing new*

*Goal Posts - I spoke to the mechanics about securing the spinning Goal Posts but nothing has been done as yet.*

*Swing gate at the girls softball field - waiting on a price*

*Please send me any additional items.*

The board reviewed Butch's email. Butch has put in a request for a \$5,000 increase to the Parks budget. The winterization of the wells is still pending. Steve noted that the Goodale courts are not properly locked (tennis courts should be chained and padlocked and the basketball courts should be locked during inclement weather). Steve asked if there is any information regarding a new mower.

\*JL arrival

### **Old Business**

- Open Space & Recreation Master Plan – Vinny reported that it is still in progress and he is expecting approval within a month. Approval of the plan will allow for grant funding.
- Resurface basketball courts – work to be done as soon as the weather is warm.
- Mixer Fields – Jim attended the FISP meeting last week. He has brought the plans on the layout for the proposed building at Mixer. There would be some digging thru the field, which will remain in current location. Vinny stated that it may be possible to work in an upgrade to the field, but there would be no funding available. Jim asked if it would be possible to use CPA funds. There is 11-13 acres (not all flat land) and utilizing the back portion is probably not likely. Possibly repositioning the field was discussed. Vinny stated that the more people voicing to approach as a community center, the better.
- Concession stand at AP field – Steve measured for roofing and siding materials and is working on getting pricing to have the work done.
- Signs – hold off until March to place the order.

### **New Business** - none

### **Committee Updates/PFC, Open Space, Rules & Fees**

- PFC – has not had a meeting recently
- Open Space – meeting not held, due to lack of quorum.

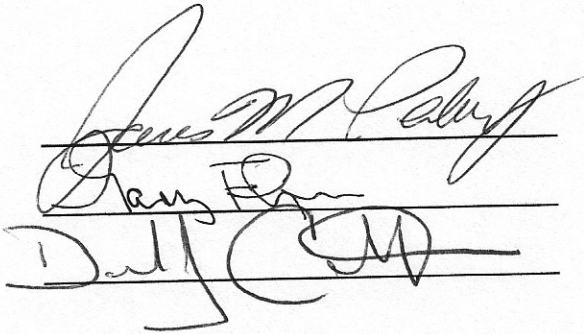
### **Members Requests**

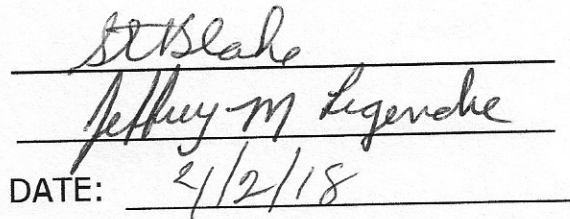
- Steve stated that he has spoken with Virginia Aiello (lives across from softball field) and that she seems to be content with being put up. Steve has Connor Sign looking for the design from the previous signs.
- Motion Originator: Steve Blake
- Motion Description: To purchase 3 signs for the softball field – stating for softball use only, unless with written permission from the Parks Commission.
- Motion Seconded: Jeffrey Legendre
- Motion Discussion: Connor sign may decide wording may need to be modified.
- Motion Approvers/Disapprovers: **All Approved**

- Steve asked if the board is looking at any project funding requests for the May Town Meeting. If so, it would need to be started on tonight.
- Gary asked if anyone has thought about a pool at Mixer. Jim would suggest waiting until after the Sr. Center is done.
- Steve - United Site Services to issue a credit for \$258.18.

**Next Meetings:** February 8<sup>th</sup> and March 5<sup>th</sup>

- Motion Originator: Steve Blake
- Motion Description: Adjourn / 8:45
- Motion Seconded: Jeffrey Legendre
- Motion Discussion: - Motion Approvers/Disapprovers: **All Approved**

  
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