

WEST BOYLSTON BOARD OF PARKS COMMISSIONERS

March 7, 2023 7:00 PM

Members Present: Steve Blake, Emily Lehman, Jim Pedone (chair), Paul Scally

Members Absent: Gary Flynn

Guests: Kathy Callahan, Marilyn Sinibaldi, Randy Chavoor, Beth Manjarrez,

Approval of Minutes

- Motion Originator: Paul Scally
- Motion Description: Approve January 10, 2023 minutes.
- Motion Seconded: Steve Blake
- Motion Discussion: - Motion Approvers/Disapprovers: **Approved**

Treasurer's Report

FIELD REV	REC REV	PRIDE PARK REV	RECREATION APPR	PRIDE PARK FY22	DPW/PARKS FY22	FERTILIZER FY22
\$16,330.55	\$10,871.54	\$536.37	\$7,415.00	\$10.12	\$3,487.72	\$8,144.82

Community Input

- Kathy Callahan asked what the board's plans were for the courts at Woodland. Jim explained that the Pride Park and Mixer projects are the current focus and that Woodland is the next priority.

Recreation Director

Sharon Emond – via email (Mar 7th)

- Just completed a babysitters certification course. We filled it!! The course was for 13+ and included cpr and Aed certification.
- We have Traditional CPR coming up April 1st.
- Woman's self defense on April 22nd
- Working with celebrations committee (apparently I'm part of that now too) we are working on a alternate Easter egg hunt with the playground down. Not sure if we want to have a hunt or change it up (stay tuned) I'm hoping I don't have to fill 2500 eggs again.
- Currently looking for a new paint night instructor
- Pickleball reserved for beginners at the courts Tuesday and Thursday from 9 to 11. Just need a date courts will open?. We are planning a \$2.00 participation fee for play players and it is being advertised at senior center.

Outstanding Permit Fees/Insurance Certificates/Facility Requests

Pickle Ball / Marilyn Sinibaldi and Kathy Callahan

- Have requested for use of the tennis courts for pickle ball. Jim explained that typically residents are not allowed to reserve a field or court. There is generally an organization/group with insurance. They were instructed that they can use the courts without reserving or look into running thru the WB Senior Center or the WB Recreation Director (Sharon Emond). Sharon is running a beginners' group on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

WB Youth Soccer / submitted by Keith Brown

- practice field (U4, U6 &U8) and Woodland (U10) for practices Mon-Fri and games on Saturdays.
 - Motion Originator: Steve Blake
 - Motion Description: Approve WB Youth Soccer's request as submitted.
 - Motion Seconded: Paul Scally
 - Motion Discussion: - Motion Approvers/Disapprovers: **All Approved**

WB Women's Softball / submitted by Beth Manjarrez

- "A&B" and softball fields / Wed (5:45 - 7:30), June – August.
 - Motion Originator: Steve Blake
 - Motion Description: Approve WB Women's Softball request as submitted.
 - Motion Seconded: Paul Scally
 - Motion Discussion: - Motion Approvers/Disapprovers: **All Approved**

Major Edwards School / submitted by Leia Roberts

- Black-top area adjacent to the playground on May 31st (June 1st rain date) for an arts festival.
 - Motion Originator: Steve Blake
 - Motion Description: Approve Major Edwards School requests as submitted.
 - Motion Seconded: Paul Scally
 - Motion Discussion: - Motion Approvers/Disapprovers: **All Approved**

WB Middle High School / submitted by Amy Smith

- Softball and "B" field / Mon-Fri 2:30-6:00, Sat & Sun 9-11:00 / Mar 20 – Jun 30
- Sr. baseball field / Mon-Fri 2:30-6:00, Sat & Sun 9-1:00 / Mar 20 – Jun 30
- Tennis courts / Mon-Fri 2:30-5:30 (or until end of match) / Mar 20 – Jun 30
 - Motion Originator: Emily Lehman
 - Motion Description: Approve the Middle High school's request as submitted.
 - Motion Seconded: Paul Scally
 - Motion Discussion: - Motion Approvers/Disapprovers: **All Approved**

Parks Facilities/Maintenance Items

Kevin Duffy – *via email (Mar 2nd)*

- *The Pride Park bucket seats are installed.*
- *The irrigation motor vault work has been completed in anticipation of the irrigation improvements for 3/10.*
- *Installed new soccer goal wheels ordered by Parks Commission.*
- *Two goal wheels have been identified in need of additional repair but all previously reported wheels are complete.*
- *We were able to complete additional leaf removal and general housekeeping at Goodale and Woodland.*
- *Block repairs to Goodale Park retaining wall.*
- Sr. Baseball field irrigation – pending.
- Fence/netting maintenance – on going.
- Aeration, vibration & seeding/Woodland, AP, practice & common –
- Install irrigation motor – *see above*
- Install pump – panel has been received; installation is scheduled for March 27th.
- Pride park bucket seat – *see above*
- Softball field infield – Steve has obtained pricing for the purchase of clay. Jim will speak with the Town Administrator about the need to get the work done on the softball field and the need for the extra parks person.
- Additional items (new & outstanding)

New Business

- Port-a-toilets - Steve obtained pricing from three companies – United Rentals, Chase Harris and Regional Restrooms
 - Motion Originator: Steve Blake
 - Motion Description: Approve Regional Rentals to provide the port-a-toilets services for 2023.
 - Motion Seconded: Paul Scally
 - Motion Discussion: - Motion Approvers/Disapprovers: **All Approved**

Old Business

- PFC Projects/Mixer – Jim is meeting with Town Administrator tomorrow.
- Pride Park – Weston & Sampson is working on plans.
- Sr. Baseball field dugouts – Worcester Voke has made the brackets.
- Soccer nets at Woodland – Paul will order and will have by end of the month.
- AP concession stand – spring

Committee Updates/PFC, Open Space – no reports

Members Requests

- Paul - WB Little League is willing to pay to have a company do work to have the pitcher's mound at the Townsend field redone to proper specs and fix the infield. Jim will discuss the Town Administrator.
- Steve – need to determine which fields are being over-seeded. Starter fertilizer to be used on Woodland, practice and All-purpose fields.

Next Meetings: April 4, 2023 7:00PM

Adjourn:

- Motion Originator: Paul Scally
- Motion Description: Adjourn / 8:22
- Motion Seconded: Emily Lehman
- Motion Discussion: - Motion Approvers/Disapprovers: **All Approved**

DATE: approved 05-02-2023