

HAMPDEN PARKS & RECREATION
Meeting Minutes April 27, 2010
Town Hall

Meeting called to order at 7:04pm

Members Present: Rick Kapinos, Marty McQuade and Jay Ray

Absent: Michael Cronin and Bob White

Bills: Reviewed and signed.

Minutes: The meeting minutes from April 13th were read. Jay made a motion to accept the minutes as read. Marty seconded. The vote was unanimous.

Lions End of School Event: The Lions Club is trying to plan an end of the school year event for all residents at the Park. They would like to sell hamburgers, hot dogs, soda... for a nominal fee. Debbie will respond to Rick Rubin's email with some information.

Gym Use Request: Marq Culhane asked about using a school gym/parking lot for the Quaboag Highlanders Pipeband practice. They have a special workshop/practice lined up and are unable to use their regular facility. Rick suggested the Park pavilion for May 1st and 2nd 10-3pm each day. The weather is supposed to be nice and they will have use of the picnic tables under the pavilion for some of their instruments. Mrs. Culhane felt that this would work out. Jay will have the 1st/2nd grade jamboree on Saturday at 5pm.

South Shore Date: South Shore is scheduled to open up the spray park for the season on June 7. The new feature will also be installed. Marty and Jay and possibly Rick Kelly will be available that day. Jay will ask Jeff Merigian to stop in that day to observe the opening process.

Park Maintenance Position: Rick Kelly will work Monday – Friday from mid-June until the spray park closes mid-September. Huck House will work the weekends.

Softball Update: The fence has been painted and looks great. A new infield mix was ordered for the softball field instead of using the mix that was ordered for baseball. Lime will be used for the field lining. Baseball will purchase it for both sports.
A softball complaint was received. Rick will pass it on to the softball coordinator.

Park Plumber: Rick will check with someone he knows about opening the park restrooms for the season.

Signboard: Summer Program information will be posted on the signboard.

Summer Program Director: Rick will contact the two interested people.

Town Meeting: Rick shared with the Board an email that he sent to each of the Selectmen expressing his disappointment in the way their staff's payroll increases were handled at the Town Meeting.

Old Business:

Concession Stand – The Park will be busy both Saturdays and Sundays. Jay would like to try a concession stand and see how it goes. He will go to Costco and set up everything. Rick will put together a schedule of workers. The hours may be 5:15-8pm.

New Business:

None

Marty made a motion to adjourn at 8:35pm. Jay seconded. The vote was unanimous.

Submitted by Deborah House, Clerk