

HAMPDEN PARKS & RECREATION

Meeting Minutes February 24, 2013

Town House

Approved

Meeting called to order at 9:12 am

Members Present: Jay Ray, Chair, Fred Frangie, Vice Chair, Marty McQuade and Michael Cronin (10:10am)

Members Absent: Rich Joseph

Also Present: -none-

Bills: Reviewed and signed.

Mail: Reviewed

Minutes: The minutes from the January 27th, 2013 meeting were reviewed.

Jay made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Marty seconded. Vote was unanimous 3-0.

Agenda Items:

Baseball: The board reviewed the number of registrations received, and the potential for indoor pitchers and catchers sessions.

Out of Town Sports Assessments: The board would like to have an informal conversation with some of the Wilbraham Playground and Recreation members.

Softball: Marty will request a list from Jared (Wilb. P&R) of the Hampden girls who have registered to date.

Memorial Park: Jay forwarded the two most recent bids to Doug Boyd of the CPC. Fred questioned the expiration of the bids. Fred will contact Excavation Plus and Michael will contact Marty Wright to confirm.

Fields: The board agreed to let one LAX team use the GM field for practice only once all team members have signed the release of liability waivers.

Summer Program: The board has not received any potential applicants yet.

10:24 AM: Michael Cronin excused himself and left with box of Munchkins

10:26 AM: Michael Cronin returned with the box minus 4 Munchkins. He agreed to bring donuts to the next meeting.

Equipment: The board reviewed equipment that needs to be purchased for the upcoming park season. Marty will research and purchase.

Jay made a motion to approve \$1000 for the purchase of equipment, to include a tow behind spreader. Fred seconded, all in favor 4 to 0.

Memorial Park Project: Jay has submitted the necessary forms to the CPC.

Budget Process: Jay reviewed the budget request for FY14 that he will be submitting to the Advisory Committee on Monday, February 25 at 6pm.

New Business:

TWB/Basketball/Baseball: The board discussed updating the outdoor basketball court at TWB. Michael will look into new hoop prices and the cost of sealing the court. The board may opt to install a kiosk to use for court reservations.

Jay would also like to remove the current shed and place a new one closer to the baseball field. The board will need Noel Pixley's approval for this. Fred will speak to RAH and Marty will research new shed structures. The poison ivy at the edge of TWB field was also discussed.

RAH/Memorial Park Event: RAH would like to hold a concert and movie night at the park in the spring. The board discussed this and will suggest that RAH hold the event in the fall.

Baseball Wish-List: Marty presented a list of items that need to be purchased for the 2013 baseball season. Clerk will order. The board will review and set rosters at their next meeting, March 24, 2013.

Basketball: The first and second grade jamboree will be held on Saturday, March 2nd, at TWB. Semi-finals start on Sunday, March 3rd. Michael Cronin is planning on having scorers stationed at the TWB gym exit doors. The board suggested that each coach complete a summary on each player, (not their own child) for review during evaluations next season.

Memorial Park: The board discussed the opening date for Memorial park and the opportunity for spring clean up volunteerism.

Marty made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 12:10pm. Michael seconded. All in favor 4-0.

Next meeting tentatively scheduled for March 24th, 2012 @ 9am @ Hampden Town House 625 Main St
Hampden, MA.

Respectfully Submitted,
Cindi Connors, Clerk