

HAMPDEN PARKS & RECREATION
Meeting Minutes March 22, 2016
Town House

Approved April 12, 2016

Meeting called to order at 7:12pm

Members Present: Terry Ford, Dave Turcotte, Eric Jacobson and Dave Paradis

Members Absent:

Also Present: John Gurski, Derrick Biermann, Heath Joseph and Marty McQuade

Bills: -none-

Mail: -none-

Agenda Items:

Minutes: Terry motioned to approve the February 23rd minutes as presented Dave T seconded, 3-0 in favor

Open Board Position: Heath Joseph was invited to attend the meeting as a potential new Commissioner; he has agreed to be a write in candidate.

Maintenance: Marty will be returning this summer, the commissioners informed him that they had requested and received approval for a two step increase for FY17. He will be on vacation from July 9th through July 23rd.

Baseball Fields:

Memorial Park fields are still wet. TWB infield is 'weedy' Dave T asked if Bill Wilson could power rake infield. Marty will take the posts out of both TWB and Memorial Park. Discussion of Veterans field expansion, cutting infield back 10' and adding a 75' base path, is this feasible? Sponsor signs at Veterans – there is the potential to change to printed banners with grommets

Field Maintenance/EBL: Scott does not want to rake the fields. If he wants Parks to rake he will be charged \$20 per day, as last year he maintained the fields himself

Spray Park: Admin to contact South Shore & ask that they bring both a new hose for chlorine and enough chlorine to fill the reservoir

Baseball:

Need catchers gear for 5/6 and 7/8, baseballs also needed. John reviewed numbers/teams; Derrick added that Joe Holder is looking for both inside and outside time.

RAH:

Dave T presented dates that RAH will be holding movie night at Memorial Park and the road race at TWB

Graduation: Memorial Park will be closed to the public on June 21st for the eighth grade graduation party

Sprinklers:

Tabled

Basketball Request:

Request received for gym time for an AAU team to practice. Commissioners discussed and agreed to the following conditions based on a motion made by Dave, seconded by Eric with all in favor 4-0

The requestor or coach are the only ones who will be able to pick up the key

Hampden Baseball program has priority and they may be bumped from the gym

Three weeks only, no Sat/Sun

Liability waivers must be signed by every player.

Admin to contact requestor

New Business:

Swings, Dave T has found new finds for the playground including a toddler swing, two strap swings and an ADA complaint swing. The cost should be under \$1000.

Terry made a motion to allot \$1000 for the purchase of the swings, Dave P seconded, all in favor 4-0

Next meetings scheduled for Tuesday, April 12th and 26th, 2016 at 7:15pm

Dave T moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:32pm, Eric seconded. All in favor 4-0

Respectfully Submitted,
Cindi Connors,
Administrative Assistant