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## Lancaster Recreation Committee Meeting Minutes 1/16/18

### Attendees:

- Recreation Committee Members: Joe Kennedy, Win Clark, Jeanne Blauner, and Katie O'Riorden
- Public: Ken Pagington, Mark Renczkowski, Dave Carr, and Matt Hourihan

### Meeting Agenda:

- Public Comment Period
- Scheduled Appearances and Public Hearing
- Treasurer's Report
- Approval of Meeting Minutes
- Committee Updates
- Old and New Business

### Meeting Summary:

Meeting called to order at 7:16 pm

**Public Comment:** None

**Scheduled Appearances:**

### **Treasurer's Report:**

#### **REVOLVING ACCOUNT:**

DATE	SOURCE		DEBIT	CREDIT	BALANCE	COMMENTS
12/7/2017	Men's Adult b'ball online		\$20.00	\$52,747.37		Mens Basketball reg fee
12/13/2017	Corner Sports	\$791.00		\$51,956.37		youth b'ball t-shirts
12/28/2017	Iss	\$185.00		\$51,771.37		share cost of Trail Guides
1/16/2018	Winter equipment swap		\$16.00	<b>\$51,787.37</b>		donation

#### **OTHER PROPERTY ACCOUNT:**

DATE	SOURCE	DEBIT	CREDIT	BALANCE	COMMENTS
11/30/2017	appropriated	\$9,946.00	<b>\$10,448.00</b>		for Thayer Field Committee- fert., etc

#### **REPAIRS & BUILDING MAINTENANCE:**

DATE	SOURCE	DEBIT	CREDIT	BALANCE	COMMENTS
7/1/2017	ALLOCATED	\$600.00	<b>\$600.00</b>		

#### **BEACH SUPPLIES:**

DATE	SOURCE	DEBIT	CREDIT	BALANCE	COMMENTS
8/22/2017	WB Mason	\$29.02	<b>\$570.98</b>		bungee cord for volleyball net

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**GROUNDS KEEPING:**

DATE	SOURCE	DEBIT	CREDIT	BALANCE	COMMENTS
10/12/2017	Pristine Landscaping	\$450.00	\$538.06		Mowing at Thayer Field

**REC WAGES:**

DATE	SOURCE	CREDIT	DEBIT	BALANCE	PAY PERIOD
8/24/2017	payroll 9P	\$327.88	\$207.77		w/e 8/19/17 8P

**BEALS & THOMAS:**

DATE	DEBIT	BALANCE
12/12/2017	\$1,317.70	\$3,095.82

- Meeting with the Finance Committee to discuss upcoming budget on January 29<sup>th</sup>.
- Received money from Orlando; need to find out how that money is to be used and how frequently we will be receiving it.
- Jeanne makes a motion to approve.
- Win seconds; unanimously approved.

**Approval of Meeting Minutes:**

- Joe makes a motion to approve the minutes from November.
- Win seconds; unanimously approved.

**Recreation Committee Update:**

- Recreation Committee Positions
  - o Will move to next meeting.
  - o Recreation Director Update
    - Win shares the details of the interview with the candidate.
    - The committee discusses the best way we can support the new recreation direction when she is hired.
    - Win makes a motion to recommend Andrea be hired for the position. Jeanne seconds; unanimously approved.
- Thayer Field Update
  - o Playground Status
    - The layout of the playground is approved; needs to go out to bid.
    - The plan is to break ground in spring.
    - A 50% deposit has been put down on the equipment.
- Fields Update
  - o Lancaster Little League
    - Still need to put a field maintenance plan in place and hire someone to do the mowing of the fields.

- Win and Matt will plan to meet with Kevin and Orlando to plan for the fields.
  - Still considering how to memorialize Mr. Comaskey at the field as his previous sign had been taken down.
  - Ken suggests that we create a Little League Hall of Fame.
- Skating Rink
  - The rink is up and going and getting a lot of use.
  - There was recently a Cub Scout night with a cookout at the rink.
  - Win is still interested in holding a skating party night at the rink.
- Program Update
  - Men's Basketball
    - Will charge \$25/person next year.
- Beach
  - In March, a letter will go out to the staff from last year to see if they are interested in returning.
  - Will continue to offer swim lessons this summer.
  - Katie is looking into acquiring paddleboards for the beach. She has been in touch with several companies and will reach out to Cabela's and LL Bean this month. She will also check in with Nashoba Paddlers and Still River Kayak (David Cudmore) to see if they have any used paddleboards.
  - Lancaster Summer Beach pass price will increase after a certain date as incentive to purchase early.
  - Ken looked into the beach survey information, but was unable to get all details and analyze the information without a paid monthly subscription.
  - Win makes a motion to spend up to \$40 on the monthly subscription to Survey Monkey. Jeanne seconds; unanimously approved.
- Trails
  - New Year's Equipment Swap was a big success with lots of goodwill all around.
  - Worked well to have combined it with the Community Center Brunch.
  - Will consider another sale next year to possibly be combined with the Horseshed Fair or another time earlier in the year.
  - Need a better way to price items; tags were constantly falling off.
  - Next year, will keep families' items all together and ask them to bring their own envelope labeled with items for sale.
- Conservation Committee
  - Meeting will be held on January 23 about snowmobiling on the trails in town. Currently, it is only allowed in Town Forest.
  - Parking lots of the trails need to be plowed.
- 2018 Trails
  - Jeanne gives an overview of the trails for the year.
  - Dexter Drumlin Walk will be held on March 3<sup>rd</sup> from 7-9.
    - Katie will reach out to Dunkin Donuts about providing hot chocolate for the outing.

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- February: School Vacation Pancake Walk
- May: Hiking the Bay Circuit Trail Multimedia Presentation, Bay Circuit Trail Hike, and Cook Conservation Hike
- June: Garden Walk
- August: Bolton Connections Trail Walk
- September: Lancaster Friends Nashua River Trip Down the Blue Trail
- November: Cook Conservation Hike

### **Old and New Business**

- Despite many attempts to donate it, the committee still has one bronze pass available to Wachusett Mountain. Joe will check with Jason Allison to see if they can use it for Ski Club.
- Softball is moving back into Little League.

**Meeting Adjourned:** Win makes a motion to adjourn; Joe seconds. Meeting adjourned at 8:58 pm.

Next meeting is to be held on February 6, 2018 at 7:00.