Lancaster Recreation Committee Meeting Minutes 9/13/16

Attendees:

- Recreation Committee Members: Johnna Doyle, Joe Kennedy, Winn Clark, Ted Manning, Katie O'Riorden
- Public: Alissa Vitkofsky and Matt Hourihan

Meeting Agenda:

- Public Comment Period
- Scheduled Appearances and Public Hearing
- Treasurer's Report
- Approval of Meeting Minutes
- Committee Updates
- Sports Updates
- Field Updates
- Walk Update
- Grant/Earmark Opportunities
- New Business

Meeting Summary:

Meeting called to order at 7:47 pm

Public Comment: No public comment

Scheduled Appearances:

- Alissa Vitkofsky from Nashoba FC soccer is interested in using field space on baseball/softball fields for soccer practices.
- \$20/hr.; \$10/hr. for 50 or more hours (league fee and rental fee).
- Will leave port-a-potty available should they decide they want to use field space.
- Nashoba FC will need to provide nets and line field.
- Johnna requests that Alissa get back in touch with field dimensions.

Treasurer's Report:

- Review budget calendar year report.
- Revolving Account Balance as of 9/8/16: \$45,733.57.
- Money spent on softball- \$800 on new outfield fence, \$450 on softballs, \$240 on umpires.
- Johnna makes a motion to approve budget for August; Winn seconds. Unanimously approved.

Review and Approve Meeting Minutes:

- Winn makes a motion to approve meeting minutes from August, Johnna seconds. Unanimously approved.
- Katie is to submit meeting minutes from July and August.

Sports Update:

- Softball league will need to have a Code of Conduct to be signed by coaches next year.
- Need to define the role of commissioner. Commissioner fee was paid by commissioner himself this past year.
- Infield continues to be problematic. Needs maintenance.
- Youth basketball registration is online.
- Johnna and Joe will put registration for men's basketball online.

Field Update:

- Planning for an ice rink on Thayer field again this winter.
- Winn is interested in purchasing a better liner that will last. Will look into cost.
- Water can be drawn from the creek. Creek is currently low from drought.
- Would need signage with rules for play and a hose.
- Johnna asks Winn for signage and liner costs for October's meeting.

Walk Update:

- Blue Trail River walk (canoe trip) cancelled due to low water levels.
- October 15- Bartlett Pond walk from 10:30 11:30.
- Cook Conservation hike to be held in November.

Grant/Earmark Opportunities:

- Beach earmark to be released.
- Recreation Committee needs to contact architect for firm plans. \$1,200/set. We would like to call Paul Lieneck back in to discuss.
- Reviewed information from AmeriCorps. They can provide labor for a number of projects at the beach. Cost would be \$3,900 for 5 days or \$7,600 for 10 days. The labor would be 8 hrs./day for 5 workers.
- Not interested in pursuing AmeriCorps work at this time.

New Business

- Matt Hourihan was present to update the committee on Little League.
- A Little League meeting was held on August 24. The decision was made to renew the Little League charter and insurance.
- Will hold another meeting in October for elections.

Meeting Adjourned: Joe makes a motion to adjourn; Winn seconds. Meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm.

Next meeting date is TBD.