

Recreation and Parks Meeting Minutes

07/17/2018

NOTE: The following is a **summary** of matters submitted at a meeting of the Recreation and Parks Commission in accordance with M.G.L Chapter 39 and the Massachusetts Open Meeting Laws.

- 1) **Called to order:** 7:01 PM.
- 2) **Attendance:** Matt absent.
- 3) **Minutes of last meeting:** Motion made and seconded to approve the minutes of the last meeting; all in favor.
- 4) **Appearances:**
 - a) **Pickle ball group:** Bryce Sudan and 14 others appeared to request an outdoor pickle-ball court, preferably converting one of the courts at Seaside. Discussion included all town owned tennis courts and possible locations, such as the Veterans' school or High school, as the Seaside courts are the only 6 courts under this Department's jurisdiction. After discussion it was agreed to form a smaller group and meet next week to discuss the proposal further, and contact the School AD as well.
 - b) **Viewer at Chandler Hovey:** Felix Twaalfhoven appeared to propose replacing one of the coin-operated viewers at Chandler with a donated free viewer (see attached requests) and will pay for maintenance. After discussion: Motion made and seconded to approve accepting a free viewer with a maintenance contract from Tower Optical in perpetuum and a commemorative plaque, all paid for by the donator; all in favor.
 - c) **Sustainable MHD:** Tricia Sullivan and Starr Campbell appeared to open a dialog with the Board regarding environmental sustainability for Marblehead. Discussion included their desire for more bike racks, locations and budget, trash pick-up in the parks, composting (see attached), and opportunities for collaboration. No actions taken.
- 5) **Fields and Grounds Work:**
 - a) **Hopkins field:** Already being addressed. After discussion: Motion made and seconded to approve replacing 10-12K square feet of sod by our crew; all in favor.
 - b) **Seaside:** Motion made and seconded to explore replacing the outfield irrigation at Seaside with an automated system; all in favor.
 - c) **Stramski building:** Currently getting estimates for windows and siding; everything so far is very expensive. Board agreed the priority is windows, then deck, then siding. Next regular meeting to be scheduled on location.
- 6) **Alcohol permit for Center:** Discussion to explore allowing 1 day liquor licenses on a case by case basis for a private rental of the entire building, using the Selectmen's template as a guide (attached). After discussion, motion made and seconded to explore allowing 1 day liquor licenses using the Selectmen's template as a guide to create a permit and pending Board and Town Counsel's approval; all in favor.
- 7) **New business:** Linda wants to have a discussion in the near future regarding the Arts Festival's use of properties, especially Crocker Park and Fort Sewall.

- 8) **Reports:** see attached. Addendum & Actions taken:
- a) **Superintendent:** Peter on vacation.
 - b) **Recreation Supervisor:** See attached; no actions taken.
 - c) **Hamond Center Committee:** Linda handed out several items including a Mission statement, A proposed Assistant position, and outlines of planned activities including a field day on Saturday August 18, 2018 (see attached). After discussion:
 - i) Motion made and seconded to approve the Mission Statement as written; all in favor.
 - ii) Motion to explore the recreation assistant position as written; all in favor.
- 9) **Requests & Proposals:** Motion made and seconded to approve the Friends of the Marblehead Dog Park permit request as is; all in favor:
- 10) **Timekeeping:** Meeting Adjourned: 8:56 PM. Next meeting to be determined.