

## Parks and Recreation Meeting Minutes - Monday, September 11, 2023

In Attendance: Apryl Blood, Kelly Henley, Tim Blagden, Scott Blasingame, and Erika Carr.

Meeting minutes approved from 5/15/23.

### Public Works Updates:

Jason was added to the parks and recreation grounds crew and has done a stellar job. Ed Raymond resumed mowing this year again for the parks.

### Kelly – Treasurer Update:

Revolving Account Balance is estimated at \$7303.20.

Expenses thus far, we have used 46.33% of our operating budget. A few items have gone up since our fall 2022 quotes, increased by about 20% on goods. We have adjusted for 2024.

### Topics:

We introduced Erika to our board and discussed what we do and offer to the community for the parks. We went over board positions, Secretary and Treasurer along with time commitments for our board and what projects we are apart of. Such as Adopt-A-Highway, spring park clean up along with a variety of park needs. She plans to think it over and will attend the next meeting, meantime has offered to help with tasks we have right now.

New Selectboard Representative is Faith Minton. We will ask what our date is for selectboard presentation of our budget.

Budget Committee review for P&R budget is scheduled for December 28<sup>th</sup>.

Scott gave us a recap on the disc golf sites we are hopeful to add if feasible to a location in town in the next few years. Erika is assisting with town parcel maps on this.

Tim Blagden gave an update on the rail trail progress to get the bike path continued through town.

### Budget:

We went over the rough draft of budget items and plan to have the final numbers for our next meeting for a vote. Apryl will meet with Tim Allen and go over some items from this year for clarification.

Skateboard Park: Apryl will reach out to the HS again about this project.

Discuss the Snack Shack building, we have Capital Reserve Funds left. (\$3620) We will look into the wording from the warrant article on proper use on the remainder and see if it can be used for other items at Riverside or if can be moved to Bagley's needed updates.

Co-Ed Softball Season for 2023 brought in \$1400 from team registrations that was added to the revolving account.

Kearsarge Wildcats season started, and we received their donation of \$1000 to the revolving account. Usual issues, dog poop on field, people dumping trash in their dumpster, and kids moving football equipment onto the field. We are trying to add more signs for the dog issue and have asked the local PD to patrol more often for these issues.

Fall Adopt-A-Highway Date set to Monday October, 23, 2023, 10-12pm.

Rink update: Liner needs to be budgeted for 2024.

Important Dates:

Adopt-A-Highway Date – Monday, October 23, 2023 from 10-12pm.

September **2024** – 250<sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebration 9/7 or 9/8, 3-6pm (bathrooms & snack shack)

**Set Next Meeting – \*\*\*\* Monday, October 16 @7pm location Town Hall Upstairs\*\*\*\***

November 20<sup>th</sup> next meeting (usually 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of the month)