Parks and Recreation Meeting Minutes - Monday, March 18, 2024

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

Missing: Tim Blagden

Meeting minutes approved from 10/16/23.

Public Works Updates:

Park Cleanup and dugout painting day, in leu of cleanup day we are planning to have a dugout painting day once the temperatures warm up. For other smaller park cleanup projects, we will reach out to the HS for students looking to fill their community service hours.

Treasurer Update:

Revolving Account Balance is \$8029.99 (3/11/24).

Budget:

Approved 2024 budget is \$39,746.75.

Other:

Erika Carr would like to officially join the board. Apryl will email Judy & cc:Erika for the application and then once submitted, Erika will be added to the selectboard agenda.

Skateboard Park, HS Art Teacher update. Apryl emailed the teacher and will follow up on this.

Discuss what remains of the Capital Reserve Funds. (\$3620 left). Confirming with Clyde as town report said we have \$4657.03 Prices for the snack shack at Bagley, paint/stain, and wash. Build practice wall at Riverside for Baseball/softball. Waiting on Clyde with the confirmation of numbers to move forward with both or either project.

Co-Ed Softball Season for 2024. Captain's Meeting via email, Andrea would like to resign as her time is limited. We will seek out a new director to work with us for co-ed league. Currently there are 5 teams registered, we will see if there is any more interest, to determine if this season is worth running.

Rink update: (from Griffin)

Numbers for the Rink: "We have had some great years where we have probably had 40 to 50 days and other years where we have had 14 days. This year it was likely around 25 days. The only other thing that I thought of for improvements would be to bring in some material to level the lawn on the inside of the walls to improve conditions for volleyball. Presently the lawn in the inside is green but is irregular enough to twist an ankle, I would guess it would take a truckload of material i.e. 12 to 14 yards to level that lawn area. Grass seed and fertilizer overseeding the area as well."

We discussed maybe having the volleyball outside the rink area again, Apryl will check in with Griffin and Tim Allen on that.

Other: (cont'd)

Apryl will find her notes from the ski tow and disk golf questions for use up there. Also, if there are any other areas we might be able to use that are Town owned. We will look into that and snowmobile trails possibly.

Housing survey questions: Mark Allen is on the Housing survey committee and has some questions on the survey for our committee to respond to. Our committee answers are below in italic.

1. From the perspective of your committee, what are the important considerations for Warner's approach to housing?

Our committee feels any growth would increase park use and more maintenance and possible more vandalism would rise with that. Thus, needing more man hours for our park workers already.

2. Do you have any recommendations for how to engage the community around the topic of housing?

No comments from the committee on this.

Important Dates:

Paint the Dugouts: TBD

WYSA Snack shack: Apryl will meet with coordinator and Co-Ed Softball Meeting will be done via email and in person by Andrea.

Adopt-A-Highway Date – April 15th at Bagley Park starting at 10am, until done.

Opening Day youth Sports: TBD (May first week of games?) Ceremonies

September 2024 – 250th Birthday Celebration 9/14 Town Picnic (bathrooms & snack shack)

Next Meeting – **** Monday, April 8 @7pm location Town Hall***

2nd Monday each month: 5/13, summer break, 8/12, 9/12, 10/14, 11/11(if needed).