



Town of
NEWBURY
Massachusetts

Newbury Recreation Committee
Minutes: October 26, 2020
Virtual meeting Via Zoom
Meeting number 84517064373

APPROVED

I. Meeting Called: 6:07pm

Motion by Michael, seconded Celine, motion approved. Note, all votes were conducted by roll call. Michael read the regulations regarding the conducting of a virtual meeting and the Open Meeting Laws.

II. Members Present: Celine Muldowney, David Broll, Mike Volpone, Dave Dempsey and Mark Sandt. present: Alicia Greco, Liaison to the Select Board entered after roll call, Council on Aging designee, Open Space Committee designee and high school representative.

Guests: None.

III. Misc. Paperwork: Motion to approved the minutes of the previous meeting by Mark seconded by Dave Dempsey. Amendment to correct spellings by Michael seconded by Mark, amendment approved. Original motion approved.

III. Correspondences: Eagle Scout project completed.

Andrew Pike an abutter to the Central Street property wrote regarding visitors to the Sunday's club soccer games are entering his driveway looking for Manter Field. See new agenda items

Mark summarized a letter from Dan Streeter, Open Space Committee Chair regarding Kent Way.

IV. Bill Schedule: Celine identified two invoices from John DeFillipo for irrigation service, including end of season line clearing. Will wait until next cycle to submit.

V.

VI. Old Business:

Basketball Courts: David B. continued to facilitate discussions with with a representative from Huntress Associated, Landscape Architects & Planners (Huntress). The inquiry at the previous meeting regarding the possible change of the scope of service was address by the Town Administrator. The language at the Annual Town meeting was general enough that a change in surface material would not alter the scope of services. Huntress will need a written signed proposal to continue. David B. will follow up on that.

On-line calendar: An email from the Susan Noyes, IT/Communications Director, the Committee is responsible such tools/technology or other resources/labor are also the responsibility of that board. No further action taken.

Spending Plan: David Broll suggested a walking path around the fields .

Kent Way: Mark summarized a letter from Dan Streeter, Chair of the Open Space Committee, who has a history of the Kent Way proposal. The main objective of the original proposal was to increase the number of baseball fields and the other items were secondary. He agreed that an initial clearing of the property would be advantageous. Since his call with the Town Administrator in September, Mark has not heard from the her or the Conservation Commission regarding a walk through or securing the previous approved environmental reports.

V. New Business:

Andrew Pike, of School Street, Byfield wrote regarding vehicles using his driveway. This is particularly noticeable on Sundays, when club soccer has their games. Mr. Pike suggested some sort of signage be posted at the field entrance to guide visitors to the appropriate location. Mark asked if Michael could follow up with the status of signage the Commission purchased.

Michael was concerned by the use of a field on Saturday October 3rd, 2020 at about 2:30pm. by a soccer group. He had approached the adult on site whom stated he was with RUSH soccer. The Permit for the field was secured by Triton Youth Soccer.

The Committee discussed possible scenarios for Spring, with currents users and possible an additional applicant. Michael reiterated that the fees established were for two years. Mark suggested that the Committee invite the known potential Permit Holders and organizations that have shown interest in Spring usage to participate at the next available meeting to discuss the scenario.

Field House. It seems that the cleaning of the facilities is the responsibility, that DPW would do the contract out, not the services themselves. Depending on the state and local regulations and guidelines, the Committee will need to develop a plan for use, if any, of the Field House during the Spring season.

Michael clarified that Buddaful Souls payments and documentations been submitted. Mark questioned why we had different protocols for applicants. Michael felt that the financial amount was negatable, thus allowing the delay.

Action Items

David B. will continue serving as point person with Huntress and work with the Town Administrator to complete the documentation necessary to secure the services of Huntress.

Michael will follow up on why the new sign was removed.

Mark will provide Michael with contacts for Triton Youth Lacrosse.

Committee develop annual spending plan, with desired acquisitions/purchases to be submitted to the Committee by the September meeting

Committee, develop Master Plan for Central Street and town wide.

David B. will talk to TA regarding signage for keeping the dogs off the field.

Next Meeting Scheduled for December 7th 2020 via ZOOM*. At 6:00pm. Meeting details will be posted at a later date. *If the public meetings are still prohibited by the Governor's office, the meeting will be held virtually, via ZOOM.

Meeting Adjourned 7:09 pm. Motioned by Mark, seconded by Dave Dempsey; Motion Approved.