

Hopkinton Recreation Commission

Crandall House

Minutes of Meeting

Date: 11/01/2021

Recreation Director: Mary Sawyer

Commission members present: Zafar Agha, Melissa Perry, Sherry Ryan, Matthew LaBounty and Christine Cook

Purpose of the meeting: Regularly Scheduled Recreation Commission Meeting

Meeting called to order: 6:07 pm at Crandall House

Consent Agenda

Review of 8/17/21 meeting minutes-motion to approve Zafar Agha, 2nd Matt LaBounty, Christine Cook in favor, so voted. Melissa Perry and Sherry Ryan did not vote.

Review of 10/04/21 meeting minutes- motion to approve Matt LaBounty, 2nd Sherry Ryan, Christine Cook in favor, so voted. Melissa Perry and Zafar Agha did not vote.

Old Business

The finished parking plan is due back from the engineering firm in December.

Conversations surrounding estimates for Briggs park took place.

- Matt suggested that we stick with the vendor of the signs that are present at Crandall and Langworthy to have continuity among the recreation department locations. As such, Ames Finish Line signs will be contacted by Mary Sawyer to additional details.
- Christine started to research kiosk options but needed more details to get estimates. The details were provided to proceed with pricing for a ~72" x 60" sign. Pricing will be sought initially from Ames Finish Line signs and then South County Post and Beam and Game Time as needed.
- Matt provided pricing for fence options. Materials estimated to be roughly \$300 and labor for ~32 hours based on general labor prices estimated to be \$3200.

- Mary provided pricing for picnic tables based on units purchased for other recreations properties. Accessible style table ~\$854 plus shipping is ~\$1000. Standard unfinished wooden table is ~\$200-250.
- Elaine Caldarone spoke to Harvey Buford, local resident, regarding his willingness to help mark the trail system and he agreed. When the time comes for clean up the help of a local youth group will be requested.
- The topic of how to notify the neighbors will be established at a later date.

New Business

DEM grant cycle

DEM grant cycle due date is 12/17/2021. The town has requested that the recreation department/commission consider parking improvements at Crandall Field be considered for this round.

Christine Cook made a motion that the next DEM grant cycle include two areas of improvement to Crandall Field 1) parking improvements and 2) a pour and place surface for the new playground. 2nd by Melissa Perry, also in favor Zafar and Matt. Sherry did not vote.

Recreation Director Report

- Yardworks has been awarded the contract to do drainage for the new playground
- Soccer has ended
- Bingo for seniors is going to start
- Seniors took a field trip to Sturbridge Village
- Town needs to consider better transportation options
- Youth basketball registration is open
- Art classes are underway at the Village Place Studio and are going well
- Holiday stroll schedule is being established
 - Need a horse drawn carriage
 - Waiting on additional details for Ashaway Bazaar
 - Fireworks will take place
 - Scouts will be maintaining a camp fire and have a smore station

- 11/06/2021 is community day for the Ashaway Library's anniversary will take place at Crandall Field
 - Will include food trucks
 - Obstacle course
 - Music
- Upcoming basketball may run into issues
 - Full approval to access schools was granted in September. On 10/28/21 a letter from the Chariho administration was sent to Mary stating that due to staffing shortages the school district may not be able to support events and events may be cancelled as a result

Next meeting date will be held December, 6th 2021 at 6:00pm in the Crandall House

Meilssa made motion to adjourn at 7:41pm, 2nd by Sherry. All in favor. So Voted

Minutes respectfully submitted by,

Christine Cook-Recreation Commission Secretary