

## Milford Recreation Commission

March 9, 2016

### Attendees

**Arene Berry  
Hembrow**

**Heather Romeri  
Melissa Sherman**

**Scott**

**Claudia Lemaire**

**Cheri Federico**

**Joann Dargie**

### Appointments:

Dave Wheeler presented a status update on Osgood Pond. State and Federal permits are in place. Phased funding permit was given and another round of federal funding may be available. A wooded area as well as fishing and boating are planned. Bids should be in by mid April.

Jason Cillo from MCAA requested waiving of fees for the use of town baseball and softball fields. He expressed the desire to work closely with the town on the maintenance of all fields including town fields. The conclusion was that with the help of the MCAA, the DPW and the town, the maintenance of fields should not be a problem.

There was a motion by Cheri Federico to waive the fees for the use of town fields for MCAA. Joan Dargie seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Mark Bender came to discuss the roles and responsibilities of the Program Coordinator Position.

It was asked if the Recreation Commission has any say in the role and responsibility of the position

since half of the salary is paid by them. It was also asked if the Recreation Commission could participate in the interview process for the position. It was decided that 2 people, Arene and Heather, if possible, would peruse the applications and then 2 people would read the resumes of selected applicants. Mark asked what input does the Recreation Commission want in this position.

The Commission responded that they would like to set goals and participate in the evaluation of the Coordinator's effectiveness in an annual review.

The committee for 127 Elm St. is not yet in place. There is a lot of interest in the committee. The committee will determine the use of the building space. The three buildings are approximately 30 years old, but in decent shape.

### Director's Report

Welcome to our newest member, Melissa Sherman.

For the February vacation income and expenses, see the report handed out. Arene will call the DPW for the tractor and snow blowers removal from warming hut for summer.

See separate hand out for tentative swim lesson schedule. Arene is working with the Boys and Girls Club to accommodate their needs regarding swim lessons.

Tennis: There will be 8- 1 week sessions this year. There will also be a free clinic prior to lessons beginning.

There is conditional approval of the revolving fund draft.

The ice rink breakdown is scheduled for March 20.

The summer job fair is set for March 14-16 from 2-6pm. Many employers have signed on to participate.

### **Programs/Events**

BBB: 8/6 (rain date: 8/13) Cheri Federico will call the Happy Butcher regarding possibly providing food and set up for the BBB event. The other possibility is the Texas Roadhouse.

The Easter Egg Hunt scheduled for March 26, should be outside, weather permitting.

Trips:

Foxwoods - March 12 - just about full

Holy Grail Restaurant - March 24 - FULL

Boston Museum of Fine Arts - April 20 - half full

Kids Carnival: 6/18 The same flyer will be used as previously for the carnival with dates changed to 6/18. There are several volunteer positions to be filled:

Cheri and Joan - food

Melissa - games

Scott - climbing wall

Tethered hot air balloon is a possibility.

Heather would like to discuss fund raising possibility next month.

The summer recreation guide will be general in its descriptions.

Any events to be included in the guide should be submitted to Stephanie by March 28th.

It will be sent to print the first week in April to be in schools before April vacation.

Programs:

Safe sitter: ran 3/5, the class was full.

Drama Open House: 3/10, ages 10-15, 3:30-5:00pm; ages 7-11 5-6:30pm

Piano lessons: April 4-May 16, only 3 of the 4 slots available.

Home Alone Safety Class: 5/6

### **Recreation Commission Officers**

Joan Dargie moved, Cheri seconded, Heather continue as chair. All in favor.

Joan Dargie moved, Scott seconded, Cheri for Vice Chair. All in favor.

Joan Dargie moved, Cheri seconded, Claudia for Secretary. All in favor.

Cheri moved in favor of accepting the February minutes. Claudia seconded. All in favor.

**New Business:**

The logo contest for Recreation Department logo is tabled until a later date.

The BBB is to be an event as opposed to a fundraiser. Funds will go to the Revolving Fund.

The commission would like to have a field status report to know what condition the fields are in and what is needed to maintain them going forward.

Next month's meeting: April 6, 2016.

**Adjourn:**

Joan moved and Cheri seconded that the meeting be adjourned. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted:

Patricia Kunselman