

Milford Recreation Commission

May 4, 2016

Attendees

Arene Berry, Heather Romieri, Scott Hembrow, Claudia Lemaire, Cheri Federico,
Melissa Sherman, Paul Bartolomucci

Appointments

7:00PM - Chipper Brown and Elizabeth Roach - Church of Our Savior

7:15 PM - Troy Swanick - DPW

Chipper Brown requested a fee waiver for the use of Emerson Park for Church services from 6/19 to 9/4/16. (12 Sundays - 9-10AM = 12 hours : \$240 OR 9-11AM = 24 hours : \$480.) With reduced fee it would be \$48.00 or \$96.00, which represents an 80% reduction in fees.

Cheri Federico moved and Melissa Sherman seconded that the fees be reduced. All were in favor..

Troy Swanick described the work done at the various parks.

Kaley: removed brush and trees at entrance, aerated field, replaced an irrigation controller.

Adams Field: cleared 20-30 feet on the right side, wood chips placed near Osgood Pond.

Keyes: replaced wooden benches with new ones.

127 Elm: much time was spent removing trees.

Pool: Patching will be done and filter will be replaced. Also it will be pressure washed.

Shepherd: routine maintenance. Carson field will be worked on to be used for a limited number of games.

Kirsten Henderson and Zachary Williamson proposed the construction of a dog park at 127 Elm Street, as the closest dog parks are in Hooksett and Hudson. It was suggested that 1500-2000

sq. ft. would be required, fenced in, as well as a source of running water, a small shelter, bulletin board and trash can. Kirsten and Zachary were encouraged to attend a Keyes Park Expansion Committee meeting and also to obtain as much support from the community as they could.

Director's Report

Arene introduced John Kohlmorgen as the new Milford Recreation Commission Program Coordinator. John began his new position on 4/25/16. We congratulated John and welcomed him.

Stephanie's last day in the office is 5/5. She will help on an "as needed" basis with programs.

The revolving fund balance is \$27,117.34.

An April vacation program spreadsheet was presented. Shows were most popular, so next year it was suggested that 2 or 3 shows were offered and that these would be coordinated with the library's vacation activity schedule.

Pitcher's and Catcher's Clinic - what account should it come out of? The suggestion was to put the activities into categories. Cheri Federico moved to combine lacrosse, basketball and soccer into "Youth Sports." Scott Hembrow seconded. All were in favor.

John expressed the desire to run a basketball instructional camp. \$40.00 was requested for the camp. Melissa Sherman moved that the request be granted and Claudia Lemaire seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Keyes Park Expansion Committee has had 2 meetings. Short term and long term needs were identified at the second meeting. The committee meets the first and third Thursday each month.

The Summer Recreation guides are out. Fall Recreation guides go to print at the beginning of August, therefore ideas are needed soon.

There is one full time Parks and Recreation Commission position and one Alternate position open.

Programs and Events

Kids Carnival - 6/18. (rain date 6/19) at Keyes Park from 10AM to 1PM. Cheri Federico offered to organize the event. Volunteers are needed for set up, for various games and clean up. Music - Claudia Lemaire The Recreation Department has kiddie pools and hoopla hoops for the event. Food options were discussed. Popcorn made with popcorn machine and hotdogs using the steamer were agreed upon. Claudia Lemaire will be in charge of the concession stand for the Kids Carnival. Cheri Federico moved that \$500.00 be allocated for the event. Paul Bartolomucci seconded. All were in favor.

BBB - 8/16/16 (rain date - 8/13) A specific planning meeting will be called to organize for this event.

Star Spangled 5K and Touch a Truck - work is being done on these events

Winter Carnival - input is needed. There is a need for new ideas and further discussion is needed.

Trips

- State House Visit - 5/12 - full
- Bailey Island Trip - 6/27 - full
- Martha's Vineyard - 7/9 - 16 seats available
- Currier Art Museum and Zimmerman House - 7/22 - 4 seats available
- Tasha Tudor Museum - 8/11 - 4 seats available

Programs

Toddler Soccer - 2 more sessions starting next week
Toddler Tumbling - new session next week
Currently running - Zumba, Piano, Yoga, Softball League, Archery
Safe sitter - June 11

Concession stand - No proposals were received to run the Concession stand.

July 4th - the stand will be open from 12 PM - 3 PM and 6 PM - 9 PM
Paul Bartolomucci will be in charge with the help of other volunteers.
(Band starts at 6 PM ; Fireworks at 9:30 PM)
Food, drinks and Glow necklaces to be offered for sale.

July 16 & 17 - Rotary Weekend - Claudia Lemaire agreed to run the Concession stand with the help of other volunteers.

Claudia Lemaire moved to accept last month's minutes with amendments; Cheri Federico seconded. Paul Bartolomucci abstained. All were in favor.

The swim coach position is still in the hiring process.
Three life guard positions are open.

June 1, 2016 is the next meeting.

Cheri Federico moved to adjourn the meeting; Claudia Lemaire seconded. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Kunselman

