

Milford Recreation Commission
July 6, 2016

Attendees: Arene Berry Heather Romeri Cheri Federico Melissa Sherman
Claudia Lemaire Mark Fougere Paul Bartolomucci Scott Hembrow

Director's Report

Financial Report – Revolving Fund- \$38,434.75 as of July 5, 2016.

Scholarships for summer 2016 - \$595.00 awarded, \$1,105.00 remaining.

School Vacation Feb. 2017 – Budget Request

Two programs are planned: “Sub-Zero” (demo on ice cream making)- \$200.00, \$20.00 (movie)

“Wild Encounters” (interactive – animals) - \$255

The budget request is for \$500.

Cheri moved to approve the budget request and Paul seconded. All were in favor.

Keyes Park Expansion Committee

There has been one full meeting and one work session. A concept drawing will be presented to the BOS. The west section has 4 separate rooms with moveable walls to be used as recreation space for all ages. Individual outside doors will enable separate use and security. The middle section may be used as temporary DMV location. The back section contains 3 areas (500 square feet) will be used for recreation commission storage, DPW, police needs and other town needs such as offices and a workshop. The objective is to have a community center that caters to the needs of the whole community. Funding for the center is a problem.

Pergola – Wisteria were planted – 4 plants totaling \$230.00.

Discussion Items

Arene reported that the Commission is encountering more conflicts arranging transportation for Senior trips. She will be researching other options. She would appreciate any names and phone numbers of any potential transportation operators. She will also look into the type of van needed for this purpose and the cost of a van.

Programs/Events

The deadline for Fall/Winter Rec Guide submissions is July 15.

Events

The Kids Carnival and the Star Spangled 5k were very successful.

Concessions from the two events made \$798.35.

The Kids Carnival – approximately 75 children. It could possibly be expanded next year.

Star Spangle 5k – 67 runners for 5k, 3 for 3k, 14 for 1k. There were many sponsors for the event. These include: Rite Aid, Anytime Fitness, NE Promotions Apparel, Family Dental Care, NE Delta Dental, Left Lanes, Citronics, Physical Therapy of Milford, Fleet Feet. The feedback from the event was very positive.

Touch a Truck – Aug. 20 - 10:30 - 1PM.

Confirmation from various truck providers is needed by Aug. 5.

Volunteers are also are needed.

Trips

Bailey Island – full

Martha's Vineyard, 7/9 – full

Currier Art Museum, 7/22 – full

Tasha Tudor Museum, 8/11 – full

Hampton Beach day trip, 8/31 – full

Programs

Working on fall programs. Will be running more piano, soccer, horsemanship, safe sitter, home alone, and adding golf lessons, and a gluten free cooking class. The gluten free cooking is 4 classes for which individual sign ups are permitted.

Currently running – Specialty camps are starting next week through mid-August. These include DI, lacrosse, soccer.

Discussion Items

Upcoming Events –

Bonfire, BBQ, Boogie – 8/6/16 (rain date 8/13/16) 6-8PM

Texas Roadhouse will provide food and set up.

Tickets will be : \$5 for hot dog (small plate) \$12 for pulled pork (large plate)

Tickets will be pre sold and at the door.

There will be live music.

Arene will obtain the fire permit. It was decided to use the barrel for the fire.

The pool will be kept open an extra hour, til 8 PM.

Music Boosters Concessions Request

Becky Anderson sent an email expressing the Music Booster's desire to run the concession stand at Keyes during the Rotary Swim meet, July 16-17.

Twenty per cent of the net proceeds, not exceeding \$250, to go to the Recreation Commission.

Arene will get the certificate of insurance.

Claudia moved to allow and Melissa seconded. All were in favor.

Brox Recreation Field Meeting – 7/14/16 7:30 PM

The public hearing will be held upstairs in the auditorium.

The meeting is to discuss the development of 2 multi purpose fields at Heron Pond.

These would provide alternate fields for future use.

Dog Park

Cheri and Heather met with Kierstyn and Zachary Williamson to discuss how to proceed with the dog park concept. They are encouraged to take a specific, detailed plan to the BOS. The Commission decided that they would like to see a detailed plan of the dog park before they vote on what kind/ level of support the Commission will lend. A long-term plan for Adams Field needs to be considered. The couple is to be commended for their initiative in this concept. The Williamsons will attend the Aug. meeting of the Commission.

One full time and one alternate position are open on the Commission. Lena LaBour was present and indicated an interest in a position.

The approval of the June meeting minutes was postponed until next meeting.

New Business

Cheri asked for information regarding the needs of the various parks. Arene said the middle school had contacted her regarding Osgood Pond dredging.

Melissa expressed a need for a light at the Keyes Park entrance on 127 Elm Street. Mark will investigate the possibility of a flashing light.

Cheri moved to adjourn the meeting and Mark seconded the motion. All were in favor.

The next meeting is Aug. 3, 2016.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Kunselman

