

Grantham Recreation Park Committee
Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, March 6th, 2013, 6:30 p.m.
Grantham Town Building
Jerry Whitney Memorial Conference Room
300 Route 10 South

Attendance: Warren Kimball, Todd Cartier, Jon Ames, Marsha Googins, Matt Carl, Nicole Mason, Jay Fountain

Old Business:

- Minutes from November 2012 accepted as written by a motion by Warren Kimball and 2nd by Todd Cartier.
- Pavilion Status-A possible concept available that would allow for two ADA bathrooms, a concession and open air covered area. Structure would measure 38 ft. x 20 ft.

New Business:

- Parking designations- Concern that people will drive at will across fields. Intent is to mark off area near access road (Towards river) with split rail fence posts to mark corners. Hope is to fit at least 20+ cars here. Additional parking will be as needed on smaller field across Shedd Road and low points along road.
- Old Home Day- Laurie Field wants to use existing ball field out field. Concern about grass establishment that is still fragile. Stipulations would ask that NO vehicles cross on grass. Minimal traffic expressed.
- Pillars and Chain across access road to back field. Will remain closed unless specific personnel need to access area.
- Soccer Field Marking-Marsha is asking for help marking corner points of soccer field on existing ball field so that it will not have to be measured over this fall. Spikes with markers will be driven into corners as soon as the snow melts.
- Fundraising-A need for funds to support pavilion completion and wish list. Committee would like to pursue the creation of a “sub-committee” to oversee fundraising.

Additional Business:

- Todd addressed the need to fertilize the field as soon as the snow melts and that it should be done in-house. Both fields could be done at a cost of approx. \$600.00.
- Marsha asked committee for advice about goose control. It is a true dilemma as there is excrement in high activity areas that put the children in the athletic programs at risk. Todd will pursue contacting Don Cutter with the State Fish and Game to address lowest possible impact to birds.
- Marsha also brought forth a concern about public drinking at the park in the event that it is excessive and could present a poor image/situation if young children are at playground or within area.

Next meeting is April 9th, 2013, 6 p.m.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:31 p.m.

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