

Grantham Recreation Park Committee Meeting Minutes
September 29, 6:00 p.m.
Jerry Whitney Room
Town Offices, Town of Grantham, NH

Attendance: Warren Kimball, Marsha Googins, Nicole Mason, Jeremy Bachelder, Matt Carl –Absent: Jamielynn Garland and Julia Hautenemi

Acceptance of Minutes from Meeting on 24 March 2016

Marsha opened the meeting with the acknowledgement of Matt Carl being present at the meeting. He came to discuss the status of the stone at the head of the soccer field intended for use in recognizing the Timken Family Foundation for the support of the fields. He shared pictures of local plaques and engravings in the upper valley and wished to pursue the completion of the stone's intended use to honor the support. Heretofore, there had been plans to use Stone Vault in Newport but despite attempts by Marsha to contact and meet with owner, calls were unsuccessful and messages not returned. Matt will report at the next meeting of the committee.

Old Business:

- Concession-Marsha discussed the concession use for baseball and then for the current fall season of soccer. There was moderate to good success this past spring with baseball and little to no interest this fall for soccer. A more aggressive approach will be taken in the spring to gather interest and support from parents.
- Dedication of soccer field –Timken? Rock engraving –This was moved to the start of the agenda above.
- Quote from Steve Hastings? for bathroom (1) Not complete yet No movement made on this due to personal issues in the Hastings family.
- Dugouts-have a possible carpenter willing to oversee construction-Marsha shared that a parent is willing to head up the oversight of the softball field dugouts for next spring, dependant on the acquisition of materials needed. Blue prints will be requested by Marsha to Jay Fountain and the Lumber Barn will be contacted this winter in the expectations of a donation. The contractor, Dan Schachtner is willing to gather like minded parents to construct the dugouts. The committee is agreed to pursue this next spring but no motion was official.

New Business:

- Pavers/Bricks Fundraiser-Marsha brought this to the table as an approach to future fundraising for the park. There are several pavers and bricks still in storage and more can be obtained. It will be approached in the spring and next year as part of the 250th Town's Anniversary.
- On deck areas completed-Two areas behind the backstop were completed for use as an on deck area for both baseball and softball to provide a safe area for players to warm up before batting.

- Batting cage supports up-Due to the efforts of Carl Melendy, the batting cage supports are up and will be ready to use next spring for the baseball and softball teams. It 's proximity will allow the pitching machines to be utilized allowing our players a chance to build batting skills.
- Concession sign ups from game schedule-This will be an approach for next year when asking for parental support at the start of the season.

Additional Business:

Meeting is adjourned at 8 p.m.

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