

Grantham Recreation Park Committee Meeting Minutes
Thursday, January 19th, 2012-6:00 p.m.
Grantham Town Building
Jerry Whitney Memorial Conference Room
300 Route 10 South

Meeting began at 6:00 p.m. and adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Attendees: Marsha Googins, Warren Kimball, Becky Newton, Todd Cartier, Matt Carl, David Armstrong

Appearances: Dave Armstrong to discuss use of the Recreation Park baseball field for the 2nd Annual Softball Tournament and the proposal of bringing an Adult Co-ed Team to Grantham . Proposed season would be from May 20th until after Labor Day culminating in a tournament sometime mid-fall.

The season would be anticipated to run for 3 months, with 3-5 games scheduled for Sundays. He is not seeking any financial support just expectations of use of property. He would provide an additional porta-potty as needed and monitor use at all times. Some storage of his equipment would be helpful and Mr. Armstrong will coordinate this with Athletic Director, Marsha Googins.

Old/Recurrent Business:

- Pavilion Raffle was a success raising approximately \$1,200.00. These funds will be towards the construction of a structure to possibly house restrooms, storage and future concession area.
- Dugout doors-These doors had been damaged and were refitted by Glen Carey and are now secure for the winter.

New Business:

Matt Carl passed out soccer field configurations to be used for the baseball outfield placement. The establishment of usable fields on the outfield was a time consuming undertaking last fall in an effort to utilize this space in the best possible way to accommodate two smaller overlapping a larger field. The configurations Matt contributed will be very helpful for the coming soccer season.

Discussion about upcoming Town meeting regarding park funds and process which will allow the Select board, as agents, to expend funds for development of soccer fields as planned.

Discussion by Todd Cartier about "White Barn" storage and the consideration of a storage container taking it's place for proper equipment storage. "White Barn" is inadequate and dilapidated risking equipment within and protection of Athletic Dept. assets which includes a full batting cage net.

This then led to possibilities of installing said batting cage with upcoming development. This batting cage net had been previously removed from the Grantham Village School Gymnasium and stored.

Warren stated that there is a possibility of obtaining a 0 turn 60" mower at the Plainfield Townline that he was checking out the coming weekend.

Park Development:

- Becky Newton update; DES corrections to wetland permit, wrong party listed; Army Corp of Engineers permit is forthcoming;

Meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.
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Next scheduled meeting is February 16th at 6:00 p.m. JW room