

Grantham Recreation Park Committee Meeting Minutes
Thursday, August 18, 2011 – 6:00 p.m.
Grantham Town Building
Jerry Whitney Memorial Conference Room
300 Route 10 South

Minutes Meeting began at 6 p.m. and adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

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

Correspondence:

Old Business:

Raffle: Discussion centered on the need to show dedication of raffle monies. A pavilion will be benefit from this fundraiser and on Wednesday, August 24th, Marsha Missy and Rita will meet to considered ticket information and prizes. Warren shared that the Blueberries have been picked and generated more funds for the Recreation and Activities Dept.

New Business:

Softball Tournament: Dave Armstrong shared his information and hopes for a softball tournament to be held on September 10th/11th and finishing on the 25th of September. Discussion centered on additional Porta-potty, trash disposal, parking and number of attendees. He will have up to 6 teams participating generating about \$900.00 which will go toward future advertising and operating costs for the tournament. There is also interest from one group for tenting on first weekend. Committee agreed as long as there are no fires or grills. Concern brought by Todd Cartier for use of electricity at pole. A consideration of \$50.00 for use of park would be accepted to cover electrical costs.

Fall News at the Park:

Soccer registrations have been held with numbers at about 85. A second date of registrations will be offered after the beginning of school. The park will need to support at least 3-1st/2nd grade teams, a team each of 3rd/4th grade boys and girls and a team each of 5th/6th grade boys and girls. A kindergarten group will also be formed but will likely use GVS field.

Mowing should be continued until the end of October of all open spaces.

Park Development:

Becky Newton shared numerous dates and status of various permitting needed for park with most looking to be complete from late September through late fall.

Todd Cartier spoke of dethatching need in the spring and aeration in the fall to continue positive growth of baseball field. Suggested that quotes be accepted from landscapers to consider fertilizing and such for continued maintenance and care. Bergeron's or Lawndog from local area are worth approaching.

Meeting adjourned at 7:40.

Next meeting is September 15th, 6 p.m. in the Jerry Whitney room, Town Hall.
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