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Meeting Date: 3/20/17 Meeting Location: Mendon Town Hall 20 Main St. Mendon, MA Minutes Approved: 5/16/2017

Members Present: Dan Byer, AJ Byrne Members Absent: Tom Belland Parks Director: Dan Byer Others:

The meeting was called to order at 5pm.

5:00 – John Verrone

The commission interviewed John Verrone for the Rec Program position. AJ asked about his experience. John says he has worked as a scorekeeper for the basketball league. He also has experience volunteering with kids. He babysits family and the neighbors. Dan asked about his availability. John is in high School. He has a 1 week vacation planned. He also has football that will start in Aug. There will be practices starting at 3:30 every day in mid-august. AJ asked about how many hours he wants. John says he is flexible and open to whatever we can offer. Dan asked why we should hire him. John says he is a hard worker and enjoys working with kids. He wants to be a role model for the younger kids. AJ asked for John's thoughts on teamwork. John says it is important to work together to achieve goals. Dan asked about taking direction. John says he has no issues taking direction from people including those of the same age. He says respect is important as well.

Dan and AJ discussed the rec program candidates. Dan reviewed the available hours. He says we can hire 6 if we are ok giving some of the younger kids 10-15 hours. AJ says that is ok, he thinks the goal is to get the kids out of the house and give them an opportunity for employment. They discussed the Hiltons and Jon Verrone. AJ suggests contacting them to explain there are 3 positions, 1 maint, and 2 rec as we are trying to employ everyone. Dan agrees.

Dan made a motion to hire John Verrone for the rec program or maintenance at a rate of \$11 per hour pending a clear background check. AJ seconded and all approved.

AJ and Dan reviewed the minutes of 2/16, 3/6, 3/9, and 3/13. AJ pointed out a typo on the 3/6 minutes. Dan made a motion to approve the minutes of 3/6 as amended, and the minutes of 2/16, 3/9, and 3/13 as written. AJ seconded and all approved.

AJ asked about the Clough well. He suggests we wait to get Tom's thoughts before moving forwards.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:40.