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Meeting Date: 5/9/16
Meeting Location: Parks Building "Classroom"
45 Taft Ave., Mendon, MA
Minutes Approved: 6/13/2016

Members Present: Dan Byer, AJ Byrne, Tom Belland (*participating remotely by phone*)

Parks Director: Dan Byer

Others:

The meeting was called to order at 4:50pm.

The board met with Debbie Moreau to discuss a granite memorial bench to be located at Tetreault Field. The bench would be dedicated "In memory of Lionel & Gertrude Leclair" (brother in-law and sister of Aldore Tetreault). The board discussed possible locations. All agree it would be better to locate the bench at the Playground instead as it would receive more use there.

Tom made a motion to allow the installation of a granite memorial bench at Memorial Park, Dan seconded and all approved.

Debbie will work with Dan to confirm the location and timing.

The board met with John Giacomuzzi to discuss his proposed Eagle project. He is planning to construct a shed for Grant field. The board discussed the size. Tom thinks baseball would like another shed similar to the one near Pezzella field. John asked the board to sign his paperwork so he can get approval from the Eagle Scout council.

Dan made a motion authorize AJ to sign John's Eagle Scout project proposal, Tom seconded and all approved.

Dan discussed a facility use request for Clough Field from MUYSA to hold a bubble soccer tournament. The board approved, as previously discussed the fee will be \$25.

AJ discussed dedicating the basketball courts. The board discussed the timing. A ceremony could be held with the Summer Basketball Program. *AJ will check with Dave Allaire to work out a time.* They discussed the location of a sign. Tom stated that BVT could make a sign for us. AJ would like to see it located near the entrance to the courts to identify them, Tom and Dan agree.

Dan discussed the pay rate for Jackie Welch, Assistant Rec. Director. After further discussion she is requesting \$15/hr. Dan states he feels this is fair since she and Alan are running the program. e does. The board discussed her job responsibilities and agreed.

Dan made a motion to change Jackie Welch's rate of pay to \$15/hr. Tom seconded and all approved.

Dan informed the board that one of the lifeguards has declined the job offer. One of the guards who filled in last year applied late and is available.

Dan made a motion to hire Olivia Scott at \$10.50/hr, Tom seconded and all approved.

Dan discussed a proposed dog park. This proposal comes from Mendon Police Officer Matt Pichell. There is a grant program available that will pay for a significant portion of the cost to create a dog park. Dan and Matt have discussed and explored the possibility of locating the park behind the playground. The board agreed and is interested but would like more info. AJ stated that he spoke with Selectman Mark Reil and there may be some concerns about who will handle maintenance. Dan will work with Matt to put together a proposal to bring back to the board.

The board discussed the flag pole at Memorial Park. Dan was able to get a quote to move the pole near the classroom. The cost will be around \$1000. All agreed that a more central location near Grady field would be idea. This project will have to wait until later in summer when the fields are drier as it will require a large crane.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:30pm.