

SALEM RECREATION COMMISSION
SALEM, CONNECTICUT
MEETING MINUTES
JUNE 15, 2015

Present

Pam Henry Al Giansanti
Dave Kennedy Doug Morrow
Crispin Fresco-Hawes (late arrival)
Sue Spang/Chairperson
Diane Weston/Recording Secretary

Absent

Jim Burke
Bob Appleby

Guests

Don Bourdeau

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairperson Sue Spang called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM.

1. MINUTES:

M/S/C (Kennedy/Appleby) to approve the May 18, 2015 minutes as presented.

Vote: Approved unanimous.

2. TREASURER'S REPORT:

M/S/C (Henry/Giansanti) to approve the Treasurer Report as presented.

Vote: Approved unanimous.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT/GUESTS/CORRESPONDENCE:

Don Bourdeau reported the fields are in the best shape they can be for the weather conditions.

The "War at the Shore" field use was discussed.

The parking lot at Volunteer Park will have fill and gravel soon.

S. Spang inquired for SYBL if water could be used from the Public Works building to wet down the fields. D. Bourdeau stated it could not due to the yield of the well.

The pipe, gravel and fabric needed for the drainage at the between the field and the tennis courts will be purchased.

Discussion took place concerning the inquiry from SYBL for setup at the fields for the upcoming tournament. S. Spang will answer the league directly.

Discussion on the scoreboard for the Babe Ruth field took place. The Commission will move ahead with the plans for the installation at the field.

D. Kennedy reported there is a drainage pipe sticking up from the ground at one of the fields.

S. Spang reported she is in the process of receiving bids on the playscape for Round Hill Road. The installation should be

4. ADDITIONS AND REVISIONS

None

5. NEW BUSINESS

a. **Playscape**

S. Spang reported she is in the process of receiving bids on the playscape for Round Hill Road. The installation should be completed in the fall.

b. **Scoreboard**

The engineering for the scoreboard, panels on the board, location, and installation height was discussed. Changes will be made and resubmitted for the wind load calculations.

c. **Well at Volunteer Park**

No discussion.

d. **Baseball Field Drainage**

See Don Bourdeau report.

e. **Memorial Day**

S. Spang reported the bike contest went well for the parade. P. Henry & D. Morrow suggested having the bikes numbered and names given as they exit from the parade might be easier; it was difficult this year to find out who belonged to the bikes. It was also suggested to have an “Honorable Mention” trophy.

f. **Recreation Clerk Report**

D. Weston reported summer programs are being planned.

6. OLD BUSINESS

a. **Volunteer Park** – Guard rails will be installed for the parking lot.

b. **Baseball-**

D. Kennedy mentioned 3 Salem students were on the varsity baseball team from East Lyme and were players for the State finals. Logan Banker, Mike Morgan and Matt Spang contributed toward a great season for the team. The U12 tournament was last weekend. The team lost their first game.

The snack stand is doing well this season.

The fields at Round Hill Round should be numbered for emergency purposes. Signs will be installed in the dugouts.

S. Spang informed the managers from “War at the Shore” that the fields should be left as they are found. More trash receptacles will be purchased for the fields at Round Hill Road.

M/S/C (Fresco-Hawes/Morrow) to make all of the recreation areas smoke free.

Vote: Approved unanimous.

c. **Soccer** – C. Fresco-Hawes informed the Commission about smoking at the soccer fields. Signs will be purchased for Volunteer Park and the Round Hill Road complexes that it is a smoke free area.

d. **Basketball-** No report.

e. **Tennis** – The chain link fence between the basketball court and tennis courts will be fixed along with the gate to the tennis courts.

f. **Multi-purpose Path** – The contract for the bridge on the multi-purpose path should be received in the next few weeks.

7. OTHER BUSINESS

8. FUTURE ACTION ITEMS

- a. Tobacco Free Fields (to be removed for next month)
- b. Discussion of Field Fees

9. ADJOURNMENT

M/S/C (Morrow/Giansanti) to adjourn the meeting at 8:28 PM. Vote: approved unanimous.

Respectfully submitted by
Diane Weston
Recording Secretary