Meeting Minutes

November 29, 2017

Medway Town Hall (Sanford Hall)

**In attendance:**

Park Commissioners: Paul Mahoney, Mike Tudino, Sean Murphy

Other: Shirley Bliss, Jeb Booth (FC Boston Scorpions), Rich Coakley (MYB & MYC), Dave Lorenzen(Medway Resident), Ernie Buonaccorsi (MYL), Tony Logan (MYL), Andrew Ruggeri (MYS), Patty McDonald (FOMA), Lynn Sheehan (FOMA),Dave D’ Amico, DPS Director.

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None

Discussion:

* ***Concession Stand financials for 2016 and 2017-***
* Ms. McDonald and Ms. Sheehan presented the Concession Stand Year End Financial Statement for 2016 and final statement year-to-date for 2017.
* They reported that pricing of goods at the Concession Stand is higher for outside group games and big tournaments. Ms. Bliss will inform the contact person at FOMA about any upcoming events/ tournaments.
* On a question on the current conditions of the appliances at the stand, Ms. Sheehan said the freezer is very old and needs to be replaced soon.
* Ms. Sheehan raised the topic of having a frialator in the concession stand and said it will be a big revenue generator. The infrastructure for the installation is all available.
* Wish list that FOMA would like to see implemented in the next five years will be submitted to Parks Commission.
* Chair, Mr. Mahoney asked if there was any interest in unifying the boosters with the school. Response was yes. Ms. McDonald and Ms. Sheehan said many surrounding communities have one booster.
* Discussion also included whether Concession Stand should report to the School Committee rather than to Parks Commission. Ms. McDonald and Ms. Sheehan supported the idea.
* Ms. Sheehan asked if the Commission received any negative feedback on their operation. Response was no.
* FOMA will make a presentation to the Commission on the need for a freezer and frialator at the stand.
* ***Medway fields Spring 2018 Schedule-***
* Mr. Mahoney met with Medway Youth Lacrosse and came to an agreement on the spring schedule for MYLAX.
* April 2018 Schedule-
* North Field on Friday and Hanlon field on Monday
* Lamson Field on Tuesday and Friday
* Grass field on Monday and Wednesday
* Jeb Booth requested to keep the schedule they had last spring which included North field (Mon-Thu) and Middle School field (Friday).
* Member, Mr. Murphy did not support the idea of in town groups not making field schedule adjustments thereby not accommodating the requests from out-of-town groups. He said out-of-town groups pay higher for renting the fields and are good revenue generators for the town.
* Mr. Murphy said higher revenue from out-of-town groups will help in funding the repairs to the fields ten year from now.
* One of the concerns was that out-of-town groups such as NEFC and Bolts will be discouraged for not being able to use the fields and might pursue opportunities to rent fields in other communities.
* Medway Resident, Dave Lorenzen appreciated the work done by the Commission and also supported the idea that in town groups as tax payers should have the flexibility to use the town fields when they need them. However, he made the point that it will be a disappointment if both parties cannot arrive at a schedule where at least 85% of in town group requests are honored and at the same time allow the out-of-town groups to rent the fields. That way town/ tax payers will not have to worry about paying millions in field repairs in ten years.
* There was some discussion on the field snow removal policies. Mr. Booth briefly talked about the snow removal policy of Mass Youth Soccer and in town of Hopkinton.
* Ms. Bliss will send the schedule to MY Soccer indicating they could use Lamson field on Saturdays after 1:00 PM.
* The final spring 2018 Schedule is attached.
* ***In-town Tournaments***-
* ***A motion was made by Mr. Murphy to not charge the in-town groups for the first tournament in the year and charge $30 per hour for the rest of the tournaments in the year, seconded by Mr. Tudino.***
* Mr. Buonaccorsi said MYLAX budget for this year has the tournament fee included.
* ***A motion was made Mr. Mahoney to recommend to the BOS to rename the park at the corner of Mechanic Park and Main Street as Frederick Sibley Park, seconded by Mr. Tudino. All were in favor. Motion was approved.***
* Mr. Mahoney received an email from Liz Langley about an All-Boards (Board of Health, CPC, BOS, DRC, Water, CIPC, etc.) meeting in January 2018. He checked member’s availability for the meeting on the second Monday and on the third Tuesday or Thursday of January. Members will be available to attend the All-Boards meeting on January 8th, 2018.
* **Open Discussion**:
* At the request of Mr. Rob Pearl, Ms. Bliss showed to the members a flier on Lacrosse net dolly that could be used in the fields.
* MYLAX offered to sponsor 1-2 of those nets.
* **Outstanding balances/invoices**-
* Update of current season schedules (major additions/changes/etc.)

***A motion was made by Mr. Murphy to adjourn the meeting at 9:09 PM, seconded by Mr. Tudino. All were in favor.***

Next meeting is on December 27, 2017 at 6:30 PM at Medway Town Hall (Sanford Hall).

Respectfully Submitted by,

Sreelatha Allam