

## Approved

### PARK DEPT. MINUTES

4/8/09

Attendees: Don Black, Jeff Ohringer, Jon Straus, Don Billingsley

Guests: Anna Elliott

Reading of the minutes from the March meeting was waived until May.

Bills paid:

#### GELD

BBall Court	\$ 6.75
5 Commons	\$ 32.50
Stonebridge Field	\$ 6.75
Cutler	\$ 6.75
Wheeler Park	\$ 6.75
CowPond (parking lot)	\$ 12.00
CowPond (soccer)	\$ 6.75
Sawyer Common	\$ 6.50
Installation at Sawtelle	\$ 300.00
Flynn Property Services	\$3,935.50
Robert Black Co.	\$2,449.52
Verizon Bill	\$ 8.60
Karen Tuomi	5 hours

#### New Business:

Fields are underway.

Mulcahey field request is becoming more complicated as the camp wants to now run two camps, soccer and lacrosse. Black offered Stonebridge.

Flags and flagpoles – date for the hearing is May 5<sup>th</sup>, no time known. No date know yet for the site walk. Bob Johnson will help to spread the word to the veterans.

Storm clean up damage – a lot left in the OBG. Need to wait until the ground is very dry. Many of the other fields are being cleared.

BBall court at Lost Lake - Black filed a letter of intent with the Town. He received a letter stating he needed a building permit for the court. Building Inspector says it is not necessary. Black has contacted three tree companies and will meet with them to get the bids.

The tractor is complete and ready to go.

Hazel Grove update – Black met with members of the Groton Grange, Groton Business, Groton Local, etc to try and bring back the fair. Sally Smith feels that it would bring a lot of excitement. Black also approached Jane Bouvier about bringing Grotonfest over there. She said she would consider this. Black met with the Army engineering group to discuss this project. This is the first step in improving/enlarging the area. Groton Conservation also asked Black about cutting some trees down there and combining a job with them. Black will update on this later. Anna asked what the engineers would actually do. Black said that this is still in the planning stage. He suggested that they look at other towns and these areas. This could become a real asset to the Town.

Swings for Cutler still need chains. John has contacted O'Brien to get an estimate, what is needed will be \$300 to complete the swings. Black made a motion to approve the purchase of chain and bolt links from O'Brien and Sons for a figure not to exceed \$400. Seconded and voted unanimously.

Sign needed for Cutler Field.

**Field Use Requests:** GDYSC – Eileen Hackney – July 6-10<sup>th</sup> Town Field – This will interfere with the Fireworks display. Ohringer made a motion to offer Cowpond field for this time period. Seconded and voted unanimously. Ohringer will contact her.

LA using Town Field 3 days a week. – Motion made to approve. Seconded. Voted unanimously.

**Correspondence:** Letters from the Commissioners of Trust Funds awarding grants for the Summer Band series and the Fireworks display on July 6th. Don made a motion that a thank you letter should be sent to the Commissioners. Seconded and voted unanimously. There was a phone call from the new owners of the Main Street Café who are looking to possibly sponsor the summer bandstand concert. Karen will let Jane Bouvier know about this.

Memo from Mark Haddad discussing Line item transfers for the budget.

**Old Business:**

Fertilization out to bid: Scots from North Andover and JB Turf, declined to submit. Aslan did submit a bid. Black made a motion to accept Aslan's bid dated April 7, 2009. Seconded. Voted unanimously.

Porta Potty bids came back. Triangle came in at the lowest. Several other groups may also be using Triangle. Black made the motion to award the contact to Triangle. Seconded. Voted unanimously.

**Meeting adjourned: at 7:39pm**

Next meeting scheduled for May13th