

Middlefield Park and Recreation
April 5th, 2018
Regular Meeting
Minutes

1. Call to Order

Chris Hurlbert called the meeting to order at 8:05 p.m.

2. Members Present

Chris Hurlbert, Frank Wolak, Bill Warner, Brian McDermott and Hannah Malcolm

3. Public Comment

No comments

4. Approval of Agenda

A motion was made by Frank Wolak to approve the agenda as presented. This motion was seconded by Brian McDermott and approved by all voting members.

5. Approval of Minutes

There were no minutes from last meeting

6. Financial Report

Hannah Malcolm stated that she asked for a \$1,000 increase for the wall at the beach making it \$6,000 total that she is asking for. Hannah stated that the Board of Finance was impressed with the presentation she gave them. Hannah explained that she spelled out exactly where the money is going and will see consistently what the money is planned for.

7. Activity Fund

Hannah stated that there is \$23,399 in the account for Peckham, Lake Beseck \$7,663, Capital \$10,261. The activity fund currently has \$31,000 which is \$7,742 more than last month.

8. Old Business

- Spring Cleaning

Hannah stated that she put out the flyer for spring cleanup on Facebook and noted that it is getting a good amount of attention.

- Old Homes Day

Chris Hurlbert stated that they already discussed Old Homes Day

- Spring Projects

Hannah Malcolm stated that she is hoping to get the roof up in May. The wall is possibly being started early because of the erosion at the beach. Hannah explained that she does not want to start until they get full approval of the budget. Chris Hurlbert stated that Amy Poturnicki contacted him about the beach rules. Hannah stated that they have been running into some problems with that. There is a resident who has been bringing his dog on the beach and Hannah has spoken to him about it. Hannah explained that he was friendly at first and then became nasty about it. Hannah stated that Amy explained that there is an ordinance and a fine involved in dogs being on the beach. Hannah explained that Dave Chowaniec stated that there is nothing he can do because there is no ordinance. Chris Hurlbert stated that there is an ordinance that was officially approved. Hannah stated that she cannot find any record of an ordinance. Chris stated that he remembers seeing an addendum to the Town Ordinances. Hannah stated that Amy remembers it being a thing but they cannot find any of the paperwork. Hannah and Chris discussed looking into the matter together.

8. New Business

- Summer Camp (extra 20% added to expenses)

Hannah stated that Park and Rec ended up spending about \$40,000 on the Summer Camp this year because there is an extra 40% workers comp, another item and the administrative fee for everything. Hannah stated that Al explained that they need to take \$7,000 more from the expenses. Hannah explained that she was unaware of these fees but she is now and it means they were in the red \$7,000 for Summer Camp. Hannah stated that Summer Camp is 20% more than she anticipated. Chris Hurlbert suggested going back to paying the workers as subcontractors with a 1099 rather than having to cover unemployment and workers comp expenses. Chris asked Hannah to ask Al about this idea. Hannah agreed that this option may be a good way to do it.

9. Looking Ahead

Chris stated that Old Homes Day will be taking place in June. The Summer Camp will be running for five weeks this year. There will be a summer concert series and a movie at the beach. Hannah stated that they will try to do a fishing trip this year. Members discussed what time of year would be best for catching fish. Hannah stated that the options in August are half days blues and stripers, all day fluke and porgies and Fridays are all day fluke and porgies. The weekend is blues and stripers from 6 am to 1pm and July has the same options. Half days are \$63 per person. Chris suggested looking into the fireworks cruise this year.

Hannah stated that there is the potential that they can buy the exchange club van. Frank Wolak asked about the yearly cost including maintenance and Hannah stated that she does not know and they would probably have to hire a driver. Hannah explained that the Town is getting a new van and this was just something that Ed Bailey mentioned to Hannah as an option. Members agreed it would be nice if they could pay a percentage and utilize it with another organization to share.

Chris Hurlbert asked if John Lyman would possibly be a place that Park and Rec can utilize if they close the school. Hannah stated that she does not know what will happen and there is a lot of controversy about the topic. Chris and Frank stated that they heard that the Town Hall could possibly be moved to John Lyman.

10. Adjourn

A motion was made by Chris Hurlbert to adjourn at 8:31 p.m. This motion was seconded and approved by all voting members.

Prepared by,

Leanne M. Henry