Holliston Parks Commission Wednesday June 7, 2022 3:00PM IN PERSON/REMOTE PARTICIPATION

Attendees: Brian McDonald, Steve Bigelow, Melissa Kaspern, Richard Morse, Mark Frank Bob Nemet, Leslie Rich (online)

Agenda
Director's Report
Goodwill Park Project Update, Planning and Strategy Discussion
Financial Outlook and Stoddard Design Plan timeline
Commissioner Updates

Director's Report

Inhouse camps are full and camp staff is in place for the 2022 summer. Outside vendor camps are filling up as well. The hourly rate for lifeguards was increased to a competitive rate of \$18. We are exploring bringing back swim lessons for the younger ages if enough staff is available.

Goodwill Park Project Update, Planning and Strategy Discussion

The commission reviewed the current plans for Goodwill Park. Soil testing is needed to determine the layout/possibility of additional courts. Further design update meetings will be scheduled.

Financial Outlook and Stoddard Design Plan timeline

ARAP funds are expected to be approved in the amount of \$105,000. The revolving fund is in good standing. The department would like to begin moving forward with the Stoddard design plan. Mr. Frank will work with the facilities manager and town administrator to determine the best approach for moving forward, either keeping the park and ball fields a separate project or one combined.

Weston Pond field looks good so far. It's difficult to say whether or not the dog policy is directly helping, we'll continue to monitor.

The new grounds division was approved at town meeting. The labor positions are slated to be posted within the next couple of weeks. The foreman posting is being reviewed and revised and is set to be posed later this month.

Mr. Bigelow inquired about the granite benches. One is set to be used in the Green Street project and the other hopefully will be used during the Goodwill Park renovation.

Mr. Bigelow inquired about putting a shade or tarp on the backstop of the field at the softball field at Stoddard Park.

Ms. Kaspern made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Morse. Motion carried.