

**Holliston Parks Commission  
Wednesday, May 9, 2018  
7:00 PM @ 1750 Washington Street**

Meeting called to order at 7:09 PM

Attendees: Melissa Kaspern, Tom Chipman, Paul Healy, Inge Daniels, Mark Frank, Lisa DiLuzio, Steve Bigelow, Bob Nemet

7:00 PM

Minutes

Fields

1750 Renovations

Director's report

Once Around

**Minutes**

Attendees reviewed meeting minutes of April 11, 2018: Paul Healy made a motion to approve, Tom Chipman seconded; all in favor

**Fields**

Mark Frank stated that HYBSA (Holliston Youth Baseball Softball Assoc) has been happy with the work done by Cobblestone in both opening and upgrading the fields. Parks & Recreation is paying for the Damigella repairs and upgrades while HYBSA is paying for the opening and closing of the fields this year.

HYBSA scoreboard at Flagg Field is installed. The final piece is the electrical work to be done by Chipman Electric.

**1750 Renovations**

FRP for the kitchen backsplash was donated by Jack's Abbey Brewery. Paul Whiting is scheduled to install the work.

HCAT is coming on May 10 to film the building and our Thursday afternoon programs.

**Directors Report**

M.E. O'Brien is scheduled to reinstall the new post for the swing set at Stoddard Park. The old post was removed due to safety concerns. A bench will also be installed at the same time to replace the bench ruined by vandalism.

Mark Frank reported that summer staffing is now complete with the addition of a part-time waterfront supervisor.

Mark and Lisa will be participating in the HBA Spring Stroll on Saturday, May 19. They will be promoting summer programs and selling beach stickers.

The process has been started to acquire tablets and Squarespace hardware/software so that credit card payments can be taken for daily beach passes.

Mark Frank noted that the permanent positions for the Director and Assistant Director for Parks & Recreation still have not been posted or filled. Tom Chipman made a motion to post the positions of Director and Assistant Director. Inge Daniels seconded. All in favor.

Mark Frank noted that the work order to install the sun shades at Goodwill Park were submitted to highway and that he will secure an installation date.

### **Once Around**

Lisa DiLuzio asked for history about the playgrounds in town and their accessibility to all residents. Inge Daniels was heavily involved in the Goodwill park project. She stated that sensory panels were incorporated into the design which are fully accessible in a wheelchair. Nancy White of Playground Structures was involved in the design. Because of the type of mulch in the play area, all structures are wheelchair accessible. There is an accessible swing at Goodwill Park.

Mark reported that the Master Plan will be pushed back to September by Beals & Thomas. Mark will follow-up with Frank Chamberlain to see if the money has to be spent by June 30.

Melissa Kaspern inquired about the summer concerts. Mr. Frank informed the group that three of the four bands have been booked. Mr. Chipman recommended Pieces of 8. Lisa DiLuzio will follow-up on that lead.

Mr. Nemet mentioned that the gypsy moths at Flagg Field are terrible. Mr. Frank will request a spraying at Flagg by Simply Safer. Mr. Nemet also noted that 9 Green Street had been purchased by a church and raised issues around the parking at this location and how it would impact our lot.

Inge Daniels requested that we add a youth volleyball program/clinic. Lisa DiLuzio will follow-up with a few contacts to see if we can get a coach for this program.

Next meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 13 at 7 pm.

Ms. Daniels made a motion to adjourn, Mr. Healy seconded. ALL IN FAVOR.