

Holliston Park Commission Meeting
Minutes of June 18, 2013

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Present: Melissa Kaspern, Bob Nemet, Paul Healy, Tom Chipman, Inge Daniels, Art Winters
Kristen Hedrick

Weston Pond Soccer Field Eagle Scout Project:

Eagle Scout Nathaniel Bagge would like to fix the bridge and clear the trails and place signs and add in carry-in carry-out trash signs on the island. He would like to take out the old drainage pipe and replace it- it is 15 feet across and four feet wide. Mr. Chipman asked that Ms Hedrick check with Mr Katuska from Conservation on any restrictions and if it is Conservation land. Ms Hedrick will then get back to Nathaniel to once she has discussed the project with Mr Katuska. Nathaniel has to go to the Eagle Scout Council for approval to do the project. He has not done so yet. Mr. Chipman asked the Nathaniel to get back to the Park Commission once he has received approval from the CPC.

Ms Daniels made a motion to go forward with the Eagle Scout Proposal. Mr Healy seconded. All in favor.

Mr. Healy welcomed Art Winters to the Commission.

Park Maintenance Update Report:

There was discussion regarding the quote to repair the Stoddard bathrooms.

Mr Healy made a motion to go forward with the Stoddard Park bathroom repairs with Tim Melanson at a cost of \$1425 for labor and materials and \$285 for labor and materials to repair the rotted area in the back of the building. Mr Chipman seconded the motion. All in favor.

Ms Daniels stated there should be a once a year brick drive. Ms Kaspern said flyers should be sent given out to the Goodwill program.

Ms Hedrick stated there is a request from Celebrate Holliston for Saturday September 21st with a rain date of Sept. 28th with a set-up on Fri. Sept 20.

Ms Daniels made a motion to accept the application for Celebrate Holliston contingent upon no damages to fields and limited vehicles and if there are damages there will be repair made by Celebrate Holliston Mr Chipman seconded. All in favor.

Fields and Misc.

There was much discussion about fields being used even after they have been closed. Ms. Hedrick stated she and Mr. Nemet discuss what to do when it rains. Ms. Kaspern stated she has seen kids playing games even when it begins to pour. Ms. Hedrick stated that the advanced people in the organizations understand that what to do during weather, but the coaches do not want to stop games.

The Athletic Director will be re-seeding and aerating the HS field. Ms Hedrick is working with Mr Najarian and Highway on this project.

Ms Hedrick stated adult baseball teams have been drinking after games on School grounds. They were contacted and asked not to drink on school or town property.

Ms Hedrick said the beach is up and running. There were issues with the weights and dock due to the increased rain level. Beach sand has been replenished. There will be gate guards at Stoddard and limited gate guards at Pleasure Point. Ms Hedrick would like to have lifeguards on both sides but she does not have enough staff. Ms Hedrick said the waterfront director is working out well.

There is new playground equipment for the Stoddard Playground and it will be installed soon. A climber and tire swing.

Junior Patoma and Senior Patoma are enrolling well. Staff is all in place and supplies have been ordered.

Mr Chipman said there is trash at Mission Springs. It is supposed to be carry-in/carry-out. Mr Nemet said people throw trash next to the barrels. There was discussion about which groups use the facility including the basketball courts.

Mr Healy wants benches because kids are playing games and need a place to sit. Ms Kaspern said I thought we are going to finish the project and see how much money there is for benches. There was much discussion about benches.

Goodwill Park Tennis and Basketball:

Ms Hedrick said that it takes 3 business days to publish bid documents and they must be advertised for 2 weeks. The bids will be open after Jul 11. Paul LeBeau had changes and incorporated Inge's changes. Paul LeBeau said once the PC are comfortable with the wording it will be published. There will be a pre-meeting to over the job. MS Kaspern said it would be best to have it done in August. Mr Healy said it should be finished before Celebrate Holliston. Mr Chipman said you can say in the bid documents when you want it finished by. Kristen said there a bang board that will be moved. Ms Daniels said the project is straight forward. Paul Healy said Beals is the project manager. There was much discussion about the basketball court and whether it needs to be ground up with under drainage. Melissa said there will be \$128,000 left over after the tennis courts. It makes sense to do the basketball courts that way. Mr Healy said there should be a meeting with Beals here because Kristen can not answer all these questions. Mr Chipman said Beals misunderstood what the Park Commission wants. Ms Hedrick said she can not remember what the discussion was about the drainage. Mr Chipman said if you can do it in the budget, it has to meet the timeline. Ms Kaspern said it is good to give the money back to CPC if you don't use it. Ms Hedrick will email David LaPointe to meet and discuss.

Once Around:

There was much discussion about posting the next meeting. It was decided there will be no meeting until the Commissioners look at their calendars. The meeting will be either Jul 10th or 17th.

Ms Daniels said she was under the understanding the basket ball courts would be a resurface only.

Motion to Adjourn. All in favor.