***TOWN OF DEDHAM***

***Park & Recreation Department***

*Isabel Dolan Center*

*269 Common Street*

*Dedham, MA 02026*

 *781-751-9250*

*Anthony Mucciaccio Pool*

*1 Recreation Road*

*781-461-5991*

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*Robert Stanley*

*Park & Recreation Director*

*Debra Anderson*

*Asst. Director/Program Director*

*Tracey White*

*Administrative Assistant*

***Board Meeting***

Thursday

November 16, 2017

Present: Absent:

James Maher Debra Anderson – Asst. & Program Director

John Maida

Charles Dello Iacono

Jonathan Briggs

Salvatore Ledda

Robert Stanley – Director

Tracey White – Administrative Assistant

**Public Comment**

Rita Mae Cushman requesting lights on Mill Pond Park and Hartnett Square

Santa Claus is coming to Town to the Civiterese/Cushman home on Garfield Rd, Dec 3rd 2:15pm all are invited to attend

**Minutes**

Tabled until December meeting

**Dedham Youth Baseball**

Kevin Doyle on behalf of DYB, with Dan Maher, President of DYB.

K. Doyle spoke about improvements that DYB, would like to do at the Rustcraft Field Complex

Rustcraft Field

1. Scorers Booth at Capone Field (for announcer, First Aid Kit, small storage)

J. Maher suggested speaking to Building Dept. and the Con Comm.

1. Enclose the Bull Pen area (safety concerns)
2. On deck area for Capone (safety concerns)

J. Maher asked if it would be outside the playing area. K. Doyle stated it would

D. Maher explained it would be at the end of the stone dust, not obstructing the side walk

 4. Batters eye

 Blank Canvas in Center Field

1. Signage on the Snack Shack

J. Maida made a motion to go forward with new signs, second by S. Ledda all voted in favor

1. Storage Shed

C. Dello Iacono stated he would be for it, make sure it is easy on the eyes, and not an issue for the Parks employees to work around

J. Maida asked what is this Board suggesting that DYB do.

Steps need to be taken, walk with the Con. Comm. Agent to get primary site walk, Jon will help with Con Comm. and Bob can help with the Building Dept.

C. Dello made motion to approve the proposed improvements, as long as all Departments and Boards have been informed and given their approvals as needed, second by J. Maida. All voted in the affirmative

**Joe Flanagan**

**Tabled discussion until Dec. Meeting**

**Director Report**

**Gonzalez**

Past two weeks opened field for games during the day. As of today we can use the lights.

Parking Lot lights not on Musco system, will be working with Activitatas to correct

Walkway from lower parking lot to field, there are spots with 8% slopes that need to be corrected, to make it Handicap accessible, looking to resolve issue with General Contractor

Punch list being worked on

J. Maher asked about light levels? There seems to be a lot of spillage East Street homes had a lot of overflow light, R. Stanley to check with Activitas

C. Dello Iacono asked about warranties? And Gas Line

R. Stanley answered that various warranties, and the Gas Line will be marked

J. Maher stated that Steve Chrisofolli walks the field every morning

Briggs asked when the walkway would be worked on, R. Stanley answered that they are working on them now

**Capone Field**

Having a bit difficulty scheduling … irrigation is being worked on now

**Dedham Common**

Neighbors would like to help organize and decorate, R. Stanley will work with them

**Haunted House**

was a great success R. Stanley stated that he is extremely happy with all the efforts the Pool Director (Karen O’Connell) has been putting in, and stepping up to help out the past few weeks and thinking outside the box

C. Dello Iacono asked if Director has asked for a reserve Fund Transfer for lawnmower since the mower needs to be fixed before the spring R. Stanley stated he has not, however he is working on it

Haunted House was awesome, Parks guys did a terrific job for Veterans Day, thanks to Director Stanley and Tracey White for all the help with Flag Football

J. Maida – how long has Assist. Director been out, R. Stanley answered a few weeks

J. Maher stated that he is extremely unhappy with the winter flyer

R. Stanley - stated he and Karen have been working together and pushing new ideas and programs, and discussing an Open House for a date TBD in January

C. Dello Iacono love that R. Stanley is working with Karen (Pool Director), and asked if Director will back her plans and ideas when the Program Director comes back? R. Stanley stated he would support all good ideas, C. Dello Iacono stated the best form of advertising is through the backpack, R. Stanley stated that he brought that up at meeting today with the Superintendent

Motion by C. Dello Iacono to accept Director Report, second by J. Maida, all voted in favor in favor

J, Maher stated that he wants to see the participant numbers update for the past five years at the December meeting

**Assistant Director Report**

 None

**Old Business**

S. Ledda Congratulate the Commissioners and Dan Hart on the completion of Gonzalez

C. Dello Iacono: none

J. Maida none

J. Briggs none

**New Business**

J. Briggs In Regard to Charles River Kayak and LL Bean what are plans moving forward with programs?

J. Maida none

S. Ledda Thanksgiving Rally at VFW Post, he would like to have a meeting with himself, Bob and Pathfinder Director, Skating Rink…concerted effort to make it better, asked if final numbers in on Gonzalez Field? What is the bottom line? R. Stanley answered that we are under budget

C. Dello Iacono All are invited to attend Breakfast on Thanksgiving morning for the Dedham High School football team, please join us at 6:00 am at the VFW

J. Maher Manor Fields Project was Indefinitely Postponed at Town Meeting, and is working with Assist Town Manager, once the process is clear, he will share the information with the Board

 C. Dello Iacono attended ZBA and will be seeking /asking for mitigation monies

J. Maher stated that he and J. Briggs have been working together on an “Arts in the Park Policy”, and it has been submitted to Town Council and are looking to get it back by Dec. meeting

Motion to adjourn C. Dello Iacono, second by J. Briggs to adjourn at 8:24 pm all voted in favor