

Parks & Community Programs Advisory Committee Minutes
May 20, 2014

Attendees: Lucky D'Ascanio, Karen Jones, Janet Dye, Melanie Collins, Andrea Mittleider

Notes taken by Andrea Mittleider

Parks Division Report:

Presented by Lucky D'Ascanio

Jeff Mason busy preparing for Memorial Day weekend; summer crews have started work. They are cleaning cemeteries, cleaning memorial at Pine Grove where the parade ends, raking leaves and preparing to mulch at town hall

Good meeting with Falmouth Youth Soccer Association today. Meet periodically to discuss soccer goals, drainage projects at Community Park, etc. The association spends a lot of money each year to net the goals. We are going to leave out only those goals that are necessary for reserved use, as it is difficult to move them for mowing. They have made a request to put up kicking wall. They are doing some research regarding type and build, sound insulation and mitigation, etc. One benefit of the kicking wall is that it would give siblings and nonparticipants a safe place to kick balls during games.

Topsoil is starting to be compacted in Community Park. However, some more loam and grass seed should be added during the growing season, and play may be limited on the field until soccer season in fall.

FCP Report:

Presented by Lucky D'Ascanio

Recent trip to visit Hope elephants

Senior trip is full with a wait list

Some difficulty filling preschool camp, even though the day was extended

Other day camps are filling well

Fishing camp is new this year

Community center energy audit has begun; compiling information on past energy usage and planned use of structure, test bores have been completed

Should hear from Oak Point next month about RFP

Riverpoint Bridge Update:

Presented by Lucky D'Ascanio

A 10' bridge was proposed to the town council (wide enough for emergency vehicles, bushhog, etc.). They initially approved a 6' bridge. An updated report was submitted to the council, and they were asked to reconsider the issue. They have now approved a 10' bridge.

Casco Bay Youth Hockey Update:

Presented by Lucky D'Ascanio

Drafted language for a land use agreement and mediated between Family Ice and Casco Bay Youth Hockey; believe consensus has been reached

Tree lighting will still be held there for now; will have access to lobby as warming hut will be gone

Negotiated some use for Falmouth residents

Old Business/New Business:

Next meeting:

June 17, 2014 at 4:00

Parks tour may be included (follow land trust tour route)