Parks and Community Programs Advisory Committee 6/19/18 4:00pm Mason-Motz Conference Center

Meeting Called By: Karen Jones

Note Taker: Janet Dye

<u>Attendees</u>: Karen Jones, Janet Dye, Melanie Collins, Sally Bitan, Joel Glass, Lucky D'Ascanio, Jeff Mason, Ashley Quirrion

Secretary's Report:

April meeting minutes approved.

Staff Spotlight with Ashley Quirrion, Asst. Rec. Coordinator

As Ashley begins her third year with Falmouth Community Programs, she has taken on many areas of responsibility and is an asset to the programs.

- Before/After School programming, No-school Days programming
- Assists with youth programs including Saturday soccer, Striders and Basketball.
- Co-director for the summer day camp.
- Helps out with general coverage in the office.

Parks report from Jeff Mason

- Little League fields are dry so need extra watering this summer.
- Community Park gravel road has been graded.
- Summer staff are all hired and have begun working.
- Huston lights for rink are up and will have time limits like the HS Tennis Court lights.

Community Program report from Lucky D'Ascanio

Tercentennial

- Fields are in good condition after the Memorial Day Tercentennial Celebration.
- Trash pick-up/recycling was great.
- Despite the weather, the event was fairly well attended and all enjoyed music, food and colonial/historical demonstrations.

Parks

Parks employees went to NH for "Turf Day" on June 20th for workshops and vendors.

Summer Programs

- Brochure is out and online and programs are filling
- Summer Camp with move into schools on 6/22 and begin 6/25
- Training and conversations with counselors regarding field trips and water safety will be
 a main focus in light of recent tragedy with Lewiston Schools. Safety standards and
 precaution protocols are in place and all staff and campers are briefed each and every
 trip.

Senior Programs

- Very successful and full programs.
- Wide assortment of programs for seniors to choose from.

Library-Community Programs

• Library will use 2 rooms beginning August 18th for about a year. They will have limited collection availability in 1 room and other room will hold groups and programs during the week.

Falmouth Nature Open Space/Parks Tours

- Falmouth Open Space Tour with seniors. A trip similar to PACPAC's yearly tour was advertised for the public in June and was well attended.
- Biodiversity Research Institute has scheduled many activities at River Point Conservation Area including bat eco detection, birding and butterfly walks.

Next Meeting

August 21, 2018 at 4pm in Motz-Mason Activity Center-Presumpscot Room