

Parks & Community Programs Advisory Committee Minutes
September 16, 2014

Attendees: Lucky D'Ascanio, Karen Jones, Janet Dye, Melanie Collins, Andrea Mittleider, Dan Smith, Dominic Sette-Ducati

Notes taken by Andrea Mittleider

Mason/Motz Update:

Presented by Lucky D'Ascanio

We received three bids for certain basic work (including code-required upgrades) and four alternate projects: (1) programming space, (2) moving the town's Parks and Community Programs administrative offices, (3) renovating the kitchen/breakroom areas, and (4) closing the gap on the Plummer side. PACPAC, the town's architect, and Oak Point Associates contacted the low bidder to ask for references. They received positive references and recommended to the town council that they accept the bid of the lowest bidder, Doten's of Freeport. The council voted to approve the base work and alternates 2 and 4. A pre-construction meeting is set for Thursday, Sept. 18.

Parks Division Report:

Presented by Lucky D'Ascanio

Summer staff has left for the season. One employee left early in the summer, so there was room in the budget to hire a part time employee to take on some of the department's bushhogging duties. The growing season was more vigorous than usual this year, with more requisite mowing.

There was a small 9/11 memorial ceremony at the Legion Field Complex behind the Legion Post.

Soccer has started. The fields are in good shape this year, although some watering was required during the dry weeks.

FCP Report:

Presented by Lucky D'Ascanio

The Casco Bay Youth Hockey project is under construction.

Brush at the canoe launch on Blackstrap Road has been cleared in an effort to deter illegal dumping.

The railroad crossing bridge project is taking longer than anticipated. The railroad gave approval for the project in late July, but the materials for the temporary crossing took longer than planned. The parties have been exploring other options.

There was also an issue with the planned crane weight load. The bridge has now been modified to insure it meets requisite standards.

Old Business/New Business:

The town hall building is being renovated. New siding and energy efficient windows will be installed shortly.

Next Meeting:

October 21, 2014

The meeting will start at 3:30 with a fall bus tour of parks and open spaces on the southeast section of Falmouth.