



TOWN OF SHARON

MEETING NOTICE

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SECTION 23A AS AMENDED.

Town Clerk

Recreation Advisory Committee Minutes
Sharon Community Center
Thursday, January 19, 2017

Present: Gary Bluestein, Steve Lesco, Cheryl Whiting, Margaret Marder, Rick Schantz
Staff: Linda Berger, Christine Kasparian, Maura Palm

Call to Order – Gary called meeting to order at 7:04pm

Approval of December minutes-Steve Lesco approved, Cheryl Whiting. All in favor, zero opposed

Present: Tim Richmond from Max Performance gave a brief synopsis about the annual triathlon being held on August 13th. He stated how some towns have had to do away with it because of numbers. Linda had asked that some verbiage be in promotional materials about no dogs on the beach. Approval-Gary Bluestein; Steve Lesco, Second. All in favor, zero opposed.

Ames Street Playground: Much discussion on project. Amount allotted may probably not be enough to cover the scope of the project as need to take into consideration perimeter edging, benches, fence repair and extensive site work. Removal of much of playground equipment due to unsafe conditions. NFP put out survey in December to get feedback and taking that into consideration. By the next meeting asked the Landscape Architect to have an outline of proposed playground. Director stated very grateful to New Friends of the Playground for input/help with project.

Director's Report- Director talked about February vacation programs that the department is offering, i.e. Disney on Ice, Sweetheart Dance, etc. Discussed the ongoing basketball program and the Stars program and encouraged Committee to go and view the programs. Director went to a field meeting and discussed shared use of fields. Summer job applications are now being accepted. Director stated shortage of lifeguards. Looking to partner with The Y to become a vendor and offer swim lessons and offer some on-site certification classes. Beech Tree Park fundraising a success-thanked all on the committee. Also, new this year offering kids concert series. Director stated she is getting a proclamation for all DPW employees for all their hard work at Ames Street Playground. MRPA conference in March will be attended by the Director and Asst. Director.

Old Business: Field Meeting Update: Conservation wants to take over Gavins-want to keep 2 fields
Personnel Board Update: All summer seasonal rates approved
Selectmen Meeting: January 31st discussion on beach fees/outdoor application

Next Meeting February 16, 2017

Motion to adjourn: Steve Lesco and Rick Schantz, Second. All in favor, zero opposed.

Meeting adjourned: 8.50PM