

# TOWN OF SHARON

## MEETING NOTICE

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Recreation Advisory Committee Community Center Thursday, October 20, 2016 7:30pm

Town Clerk

**Present:** Gary Bluestein, Steve Ferrara, Steve Lesco, Cheryl Whiting, Veronica Wiseman, Linda Berger, Christine Kasparian, Maura Palm

- 1. Call to Order Gary called meeting to order at 7:40pm
- 2. **Approval of September minutes**-Steve Ferrara approved, Steve Lesco Second. All in favor, zero opposed.
- 3. **Director's Report** Director reported about upcoming programs including Trunk or Treat and donations. Next year wish to partner with Library and other organizations for Pumpkin Stroll and expanded pumpkin and Halloween activities.
  - Winter Program Guide will be mailed to homes. This session will include collaboration with moms club for certain special events. Committee discussed possible change of guide release and getting businesses to advertise inside the guide.
  - Concert series: Selectman Roach and Linda will be visiting businesses shortly to approach them about concert donations.
  - Christine informed committee of upcoming basketball program and possible enhancements for 2017 with combining grades and structure of quarters.
  - Field Permits: Meeting will be held in December for all parties to avoid concerns of groups using fields without permission. Gary reminded group that we will set up times for all youth groups to come attend RAC meeting.
  - Beech Tree Park: Meeting being held with community stakeholders to come up with plan for general organization and supervision for Beech Tree Park concert series.
  - Professional Development: Linda attended great NRPA conference in St. Louis which provided many opportunities for inspiration and networking. Christine is currently on the waitlist for Supervisors School and we hope to pursue that opportunity in future years.

### 4. Capital Projects:

Linda met with Capital Outlay prior to RAC meeting to present three projects for the upcoming year; replacement of Ames Street Basketball Courts, increased recreational opportunities at Community Center and netting at Ames Street Playground.

#### 5. Recommendations to BOS

- i. Lake Massapoag Fee Structure: Lengthy discussion regarding fee structure at Lake Massapoag for 2017. A sub-committee met to propose new fee structure which included timing of beach hours, resident vs. non-resident usage, lifeguard coverage, and repurposing Community Center Beach. After much discussion, it was decided that the sub-committee would reconvene to take a closer look at proposal and report back next RAC meeting.
- ii. Lake Massapoag Reservation Form Tabled until next meeting.
- 6. **Ames Street Playground Update** Brief update given by Director. Town is pursuing other options and should have plans in November and looking to have Community Input meeting in December, before holidays.

#### 7. Old Business

- a. Master Plan Follow Up-Tabled until next meeting.
- 8. Other Business that the committee wishes to discuss that was not known 48 hours in advance No other business was brought forward
- 9. Adjourn- 9:43pm- Steve Ferrara and Cheryl Whiting, second. All in favor, zero opposed.