

Parks and Recreation Committee Meeting

March 15, 2023

Room 7 and Zoom

Members present: Cheryl Marshall, Michael Coyne, Sean Daly, Olga Hayes and virtually - Karlee Blaisdell

Missing member Muffin Driscoll

Town members present - Nicole delRosario and Brian Sollosy

Call to order: 5:30 PM

Feb 8, 2023 minutes reviewed Motion to approve by Olga Hayes, seconded by Mike Coyne **Yes votes by Sean Daly, Olga, Mike and Karlee Blaisdell**

Pine Street Update:

Might be able to get started next week or the week after. It will be sod laid down and we are hopeful for a late August use. An idea of irrigation is potentially being explored.

Pickleball Update:

- a) Sound Company - we have received 1 quote back, 1 is in progress, and 1 we have not heard back from at this time yet.
- b) The current estimate we have received is quoted higher than expected so we will make adjustments if needed to budgeting.
- c) A 10 foot fence has been proposed after the distance from the courts to the houses was measured.
 - i) Nicole would like an audio engineer specialist with a specialty in pickleball sound dampening.
 - ii) Also made a request to pursue 'acoustified*'
 - iii) After learning that the town can allow a 12 foot fence would like to know why we are not going with the maximum.
 - iv) Also is concerned about how aesthetically pleasing the fencing will be and if we are going to be using paneling if the town will be taking them down each winter and maintaining their effectiveness long term.
 - v) The committee let Nicole know that her concerns have been received and heard.
*in my inability to clearly hear her I could not say for certain that is what she requested. In a google search nothing resulted.

Nicole delRosario's Statement:

The town member (8 Forest St) stated that she wanted her statement to be taken on the record. As the minute taker I did my best to provide a word for word transcription as requested. Due to the length and speed of delivery I was unable to capture all the details. A submission of her statement has been respectfully requested by the committee.

Special Event Applications:

- A. Manchester Essex Boosters Oktober Festival Oct 20-22, 2023 – *motion to approve made by Olga Hayes, seconded by Mike Coyne. Yes votes by Sean Daly, Olga, Mike and Karlee*
- B. Singing Beach Canteen application from Captain Dusty's - *motion to approve made by Olga Hayes, seconded by Mike Coyne. Yes votes by Sean Daly, Olga, Mike and Karlee*
Approved to send to Board of Selectmen.
- C. CPA funding for historical sign at Masconomo Park - *motion to approve made by Mike Coyne, seconded by Olga Hayes. Yes votes by Sean Daly, Olga, Mike and Karlee*

Skate by the Sea:

Rink, firepits, benches, and tables are now all owned by the town and are stored with the DPW. Feedback was that it was fun and smooth. Will be determined what we will do for timing next winter.

Sweeney Park hoops:

New basketball hoop nets requested to add to list.

Meeting adjourned at 6:11 PM

Next meeting, April 12, 2023 at 5:30 PM

Respectfully submitted by Karlee Blaisdell