



Town of
CHARLEMONT
MASSACHUSETTS

Office of Park & Recreation

Minutes

5/09/12

Charlemont Fairgrounds

Attendance: Todd Gerry, Steve Reynolds, Jerry Gosetti, and Rick Mullen 7:06 absent: Bill Harker

Also in attendance: Pat & Cindy Donahue, Ray Willis, Beth Bandy, Evie Locke, Doug White

Meeting called to order by Jerry Gosetti @ 6:35pm

1. Motion made by Todd G 2nd by Rick M to accept minutes from 04/25/12 all in favor aye Jerry G, Todd G, and Rick M
2. Motion made by Jerry G 2nd by Todd G to accept treasurers report dated 4/25/12 all in favor aye Jerry G, Todd G, and Steve R
3. Motion made by Jerry G 2nd by Rick M to approve tentative schedule for Ball field / Court project.
4. At 6:45 Charlemont residents spoke to the question of livery service conducted on Town Property. Doug White from Cal Ripken league opposes due to concerns of increase traffic emerging from School Street entering and exiting. What will happen once cars are let on field during off hours by DRT will people just cut across the field? Concern over moving the fields closer will cause more problems by the fields posing a danger to children in the outfield. Ray Willis spoke to usage of the fields on a regular basis that more people use it than we think. Mr. Willis believes that the soccer field will be of total use once cars start to park there. Issue concerning mud from rains and heavy tire tracks will cause major damage. Cindy Donahue brought up the point that alcohol & trash will still be of concern of the river, not everyone will use this service. Because of public access people will just think of this as just a public parking area. Beth Bandy spoke to the overall usage, that this will take away from its intended use as a field.

Motion made by Jerry G to rescind vote from 4/26 to allow fencing to be moved pending outcome of requirements from Planning Board & Conservation Committee. No second made. Motion removed from table.

Motion made by Todd G 2nd by Jerry G to fully support the need for this service in Town but not on the back field at Hawlemont School. All in favor aye Rick M, Jerry G, Todd G.

Motion made by Jerry G 2nd by Todd G to rescind the vote taken on 4/26/12 to allow the movement of the backstop & fencing. All in favor aye Rick M, Todd G & Jerry G

Motion made by Jerry G 2nd by Todd G to draft a letter addressed to the Mooney's, BoS, Planning Board, and Conservation Committee as to new vote and decision.

Motion made by Jerry G 2nd by Rick M to draft a letter to BoS requesting BoS seek legal counsel in regards to interpretation of the words **the Town** as stated in the lease with the Town of Charlemont and The Hawlemont School District. All in favor aye Jerry G, Rick M, Todd G

5. Tammy Hicks at 8:05 to discuss Insurances for Yankee Doodle Days. Copies were given to the members for Park & Rec for review. Motion made by Jerry G 2nd by Rick M to accept applications to date as set by previous policy amounts, minimum requirements set by MIIA, as well as the minimum set by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for those groups of businesses, as well as those previously set. In addition subject to Description of Operations, Dates of policy enforcement and Certificate Holder to meet the specifics. These must be in hand of Park & Rec no later one week to the opening of YDD.

All in favor aye Jerry G, Todd G, Rick M

6. Motion made by Rick M 2nd by Todd G to have Park & Recreation co-sponsor and approve usage of the Fairgrounds by the Friends of The Charlemont Fairgrounds Annual Pancake Breakfast to be held June 17th. Jerry G will be assigned as the liaison to this event. All in favor aye Jerry G, Todd G, Rick M
7. Motion made by Todd G 2nd by Jerry G to accept application for usage of the Fairgrounds on Sunday July 8th for the Hall Family gathering. All in favor aye Jerry G, Todd G, Rick M
8. Motion made by Rick M 2nd by Jerry G to accept application by Ras John Bullock for the purpose of Reggae Fest to be held Saturday August 4th. Subject to an amended application/clarification money needed for an attendant. All in favor aye Rick M, Todd G, Jerry G
9. Motion made by Jerry G 2nd by Todd G to move items set for action #6,8 to old business and to table Discussion/update to old business. All in favor aye Jerry G, Todd G, Rick M
10. Motion made by Rick M 2nd by Todd G to set Wednesday May 30th at 6:30 pm at the Fairgrounds for the next meeting.
11. Motion made by Jerry G 2nd by Rick M to adjourn meeting at 9:02 pm. All in favor aye Jerry G, Rick M, Todd G

Posted by Jerry G 5/22/12