

MINUTES OF MEETING OF JUNE 9, 2011

Roll Call: Alan Eitner, David Boynton, Cliff Kimball, Charles Marra, Jed Carter, Tom Charles, Todd McPeek and Brenda Kleber.

Absent: Clare Saalfield and Sue Mattos

Approval of minutes: Motion was made by Eitner, seconded by McPeek to accept the minutes of May 12, 2011. All approved except Boynton and Charles who abstained.

Treasurers Report-accepted

Public Hearing on Walking Trail:

Chairman Kimball explained that the walking trail would be cheaper if we go with an eight foot trail especially if two people are walking side by side and another person is coming the other direction. By putting pavement instead of QP a baby carriage, bicyclist and skateboarder could use the trail. Mr. Kimball advised he surveyed other town on their trails and got various comments but the most important suggestion was that benches should be put at locations along the trail for people who get tired and need to sit. Another suggestion was to put supplies for dog waste along the trail.

The meeting was opened to the public and spoke were:

Denise Decker who asked whether the Recreation Committee is seeking permission for the trail. Chairman Kimball stated that the meeting is open for input from the citizens. Ms. Decker thinks the project is great and supports it 110%.

Bennett Bean asked how long the trail was. He was told that it would be 2300 feet long with one loop going through the parking lot. Mr. Bean asked the cost and was told that if the town goes out for bid it would be the ballpark of \$70,000-\$80,000. If done in house it will be a lot less.

Christopher Funkhauser asked if anyone considered applying for grants. Mr. Charles advised that he has already contacted a company to do so.

Leigh Kramer thanked the recreation committee for all they have done.

Denise Decker asked if they as residents need to attend an Open Space meeting and relay to them what they feel should be done with the open space funds.

Cathy Bean asked what the time line was once it goes to the Township Committee. She was told that the ideal time to do this project is in August. Ms. Bean also told the Recreation Committee that the flag in the playground should have a light on it. She was told that we have a solar light but needs to be put in. Ms. Bean stated that if the pig at Founders Day is named next year it should be a male's name. She was told that the Recreation Committee had nothing to do with the naming of the pig.

Dan Kohuth then asked who named the pig and why was the sign kept up during the picnic. He was told that the Recreation Committee had nothing to do with the sign.

The public portion of the meeting on the walking trail was closed to the public.

Old Business:

Cathy Bao Bean asked the Recreation Committee for a key to access the rest room during the winter months as it is dark and a hardship to the senior citizens to use the outdoor facility. Chairman Kimball advised this is for security reasons and he will go to the township committee on their behalf.

The piano at the school needed repairs at a cost of \$1500.00 of which was paid for by the school. The piano tuner thought that the piano should be tuned twice a year.

Founders Day suggestions and comments:

The Italian rolls should be kept in plastic bags so they don't harden. Get meatball rolls as they are softer.

The corn went fast-get more next year.

Keep meat and salads the same

Games-get extra help and more games.

Talk about having the picnic at the Town Hall.

Soccer program-The nets need to be replaced along with four small wheels.

The school is getting rid of their swing set and has offered it to the Township. The Recreation Committee will take them and store until they can decide where to place them.

Softball is finished. Todd's team is in playoffs.

New Business:

The 2nd Softball/Baseball picnic will be held on June 25th at 1:00. Parents will bring dishes of food and the Recreation Committee will supply the birch beer.

Having the medi-vac helicopter land on the ballfield, when the school is in session was discussed. Approval was given for this landing.

Adjournment

Respectfully Submitted,

Brenda J. Kleber, Secretary