

**Town of Auburn
Parks and Recreation Commission
October 9, 2017**

Commissioners Present: David Nye; Margie McEvoy; Pat Kelly; Zach Eaton

Others Present: Maureen Juliano; Amy Lachance, P&R Coordinator

Budget Update-

Work has been done on the skating rink. Just waiting for the bills to come in but we should be under on the budget. New plugs will need to be purchased. Also, repairs had to be made to the lights at rink. The control panel was damaged. Currently all lights are working at the basketball courts and ice rinks.

Little League and ASC submitted a bill for the repairs of sprinkler heads which totaled \$400. Since this was not a budgeted expense, we will wait until outstanding bills are paid and see if there are still funds available. There will also be an upcoming bill for wintering the sprinkler system that will be \$150. All of this will be cleared up at the next meeting.

Going forward, if there are any unbudgeted expenses expected, bring it to the attention of the Commission before the work is done. If it's something that will be happening every year, we'll plan to put it in the budget for the following year.

Trunk or Treat-

Signups are coming in. We have about 15 cars registered so far. A DJ has been booked and the event will be held at the Safety Complex. The registration deadline is October 15th. This event is NOT replacing the town trick or treating.

Coffee House Concert-

Almost everything is all set. Ms. Juliano has scheduled the band, reserved the school and is working on raffle prizes. Ms. McEvoy is taking care of the refreshments. All ages are welcome to come to this event on Saturday, November 4th.

Creative Movement-

Ms. Lachance reported that the class was ready to go and then the instructor got a new full-time job and is no longer able to teach the class. We have a new instructor available that will be teaching a class called "Little Yogis" which is a yoga class for little ones. More details will be available shortly.

Senior Trip to Lincoln-

The senior trip to Hobo Harvest Time Express in Lincoln to see the foliage was a success. All the residents that attended had a great time. However, the numbers were down. Based on a

discussion with some residents on the trip, it's possible that it's because many felt we had too many train trips in the past and were not happy with the bagged lunch. Going forward, we will do our best to add more variety and try to include a hot meal.

Dugout Updates-

Mr. Eaton reported that currently the project is at a stand still waiting for the foundation company to return. The dugouts that are already done look great. The dugouts in the back are on concrete slabs since they were already there. The materials in the parking lot will be moved to the other parking lot to free up parking spaces.

Ice Rink Update-

See under budget for updates. It should be repaired enough to hold water this winter.

Winter Carnival Date-

This year we will hold the annual Winter Carnival on February 10th. There will be a fire for kids to make smores. Firemen usually will make the hamburgers and hotdogs. We make hot coco and coffee. We will book a DJ again this year.

Operation Gratitude Candy Donations-

This is an organization that collects extra Halloween candy and send them to the Troops. There will be a collection container at the Town Hall for a week after Halloween. We will have a flyer to hand out the Trunk or Treat.

Adult Self Defense-

Ms. Lachance proposed an adult self defense class, a self-funded program. The Commission agreed and we'll try to schedule it in the winter. More information will be available at future meetings.

Summer Adventure Camp-

This is a proposed summer camp where the campers would meet up at a meeting location, hop in the camp van and head off to a fun day at a beach, water park or other adventures. Ms. Lachance discussed the idea with Dr. Collins at AVS and she felt there would be teachers who would be interested in leading this program. The Commission agreed and Ms. Lachance will work on getting the program set for summer of 2018. This also would be a self-funded program.

Facilities Update-

Mr. Dobmeier reported that a lot of work has been done but there's still a lot more to do. The dead tree in front of the gazebo at the Circle of Fun was removed. He also asked Mr. Kelly about the sandbags used to secure the soccer nets Wayne Eddows. Some have been moved and asked to remind the coaches to be sure they are on the nets.

Little League Update-

The fall ball season is coming to an end. When the season is over, Mr. Eaton will take care of getting the 4 wheeler ready to put the plow on it for the winter.

Soccer Club Update-

Soccer season is going well. Mr. Kelly reported that we are good on paint except the orange. He said that Mr. D'Amelio from AVS will replace the orange since that is the color they use for their games.

Review of Minutes-

Ms. McEvoy mentioned that Terry Hiltz name was forgotten from the September minutes. That was corrected. Ms. McEvoy motioned to approve the minutes from September 11, 2017. Mr. Eaton seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Ms. McEvoy motioned to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Kelly seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously