



Park and Recreation Commission
Town Hall, 126 Main St.
Ware, Massachusetts 01082-1386

Minutes of the Park Commission Meeting

Date: October 7, 2019
Place: Grenville Park Pavilion
Present: Bill Imbier, John Plechota, Kim Swarts, John Morrin

Guests: See attached

The meeting commenced at 6:30 pm.

Tree Planting at Grenville

The event went along very well. Twenty one trees were planted, along tennis courts and band stand.

Dog Park

The contractor is late in getting back to Stuart, but the project is to be finished by the end of the year, which will include grading, fencing, and parking lot. There are trees left over from the grant for trees in Grenville, so they can be planted at the dog park and can be done by the Park crew in the spring. Lowes is willing to provide some kind of a shade structure.

There will be a more professional photo shoot for dogs to be included in this year's dog calendar. One hundred calendars were sold last year at \$20 a calendar.

Playground Woodland Park

There was a discussion with Stuart regarding two Town playgrounds: Grenville Park and Beauregard Playground. There was some thoughts about changing Beauregard to a splash pad, which might satisfy the Climate change grant issue. John P and Stuart will discuss possible grants for both playgrounds with Rebecca. The completed playgrounds may take a few years.

Part Time Park Employee

Paul Pariseau has informed John that his last week will be ending on October 12th. John will need help this year with leaves and plowing. John and Stuart will work on replacing Paul and look into a full time laborer for next year. Nancy will arrange to place and advertisement for a part time employee and will include "must have a driver's license" in the ad.

Sodding

John reported that since Paul Pariseau will be gone, he will need help with the sod replacement.

IMBIER Motion to proceed with purchasing a 450 foot vinyl fence from Brodeur Campbell Fence Company at a price of \$5,550 with the funds to be taken from the Park Trust Account.

SWARTS: Second
A vote was taken and all were in favor.

Stone Marker

The agreement for the etching has been sent out. Bill Imbier would like to get an estimate regarding installation from Ed's Landscaping.

Updates from John Piechola

- John reported that according to the Tree Warden, several trees need to be taken down from the Cemetery and Grenville Park. The cost is high, so he will have to submit an article for the Fall Town Meeting. There was a question regarding what to do with the wood. John said it would have to be fire wood. There is no lumber value, since the trees are bug infested.
- There were several activities at the Park this past weekend and everything went well.
- The Farmer's Market will finish up October 12. It was successful and they will return next year.
- The new truck was delivered to Marcotte Ford, however the Park Department has not taken ownership yet.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7:45 pm.

The next regular meeting will be November 4, 2019 at the Town Hall.

Nancy Dunn, Secretary