

1/5/19 Notes

Draft notes until board accept them.

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Madeline Joyce	170 High St.
Donna Johnson	27.8 smv Carver Commission Dis.
Robert Townsend	10 Walnut Green Way
ALAN DUNHAM	11 RICKARD ST
Joe Sullivan	194 Center St
Betty Sullivan	28 Roosevelt Ridge
Chris Asvestas	23 Bates Pond Rd.
Marianne Prescott	10A Meadowbrook 4 Jay
Holly Hoffman	8 Green Meadow Drive
Bill Horvath	65 Holmes Street
Linda Keefe	6 Richfield Circle
Dan Badger	165 Plymouth St.
BILL REYES	83 MAYFLOWER RD.
Richard Lawrence	21 Pine Ridge Way
Lydia Nelson	14 Edgewood Rd, Carver
MARC DUPHILY	CARVER POLICE
Joseph Miksch	251 Tremont
Stephanie Chevere	17 Wade St
Frank Mello	38 MEADOWS
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Bill Kelly 18 Williams Dr

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JACQUELINE DUNNE 15 WENTHAM STONES DR.

EMILY STILLE 195 Meadow St. Carver

Dagmar Ryan 14 Lillian Way Carver MA 02330

Sarah Hewins 52 Forest St, Carver 02330

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ADAM HOLMES 17 LEONARD ST CARVER 02330

1. I didn't come to this meeting to argue.
2. I've told the Board of Selectmen that they'll get rid of our playground over my dead body.
3. There's no reason why we can't ask the Community Preservation Committee for money to build a tot-lot at the ball fields—and do that if they have the money.
4. The Police Station Building Committee has 3 plans of their own with the playground co-existing with the new police station.
5. I gave them two plans of my own showing that both can co-exist on the same 13.4-acre lot.
6. There's no reason to move the playground.
7. There's no reason to build a new playground at \$250,000 or more.
8. Building a new playground that we don't need is, in my opinion, a misuse of public funds.
9. Moving forward with planning a new playground is, in my opinion, enabling the people who made this bad decision.
10. We should be talking to those people and getting them to take a new vote—because things can be re-voted.

-Sarah Hewins

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Minutes reviewed and approved from January 5, 8, 15 unanimously.

Meeting Minutes Approval

- Copies handed out to everyone to approve for meeting minutes. Once approved I will send to town clerks office to be posted.
 - I am hoping to make some time on Tuesday to learn how to post our own agendas etc.
 - Mary I have sent you next Tuesdays agenda to approve but have already reserved meeting rooms for last two tuesdays in January to meet with Tom

Recreation Update

- **January Activities**
 - Drama - Had to cancel 6-8th graders and refund one person the second person was a 6th grader and moved down to be with 5th graders so did not have to refund. The preK-K we had 4 but Erin Friday still wanted to run it even though it did not make minum. For the 2-5 we had 10 sign up which is a great turnout. Unfortunaly with this program we got bumped from the auditorium so they are in middle/highschool cafe and will use the elementry stage for final production on a Friday night.
Mary – will join next week to offer help with supervision.
 - Yoga for Kids - This is after school had a great turnout 23 total with two age groups.
 - Weekend Yoga in Dec only had two families and this Winter one starting January we have not sign up's. I know that coordinators thought Dec was due to lack of advertising but I think in general we had slow responses to kids activities in the month of Dec and I have made notes about this. I have found it hard to advertise for each thing as we get more programs it makes it harder to advertise for a indivual thing. Also we can not have flyers sent home but can push things via school ways. I have sent email to Terri Sexton to see if she will be canceling this.

- At this time for spring I am aware of Soccer and Flagfootball is there any other teams that will need fields during this season.
- I will be having a meeting with Mike Shultz and Brad Brother, Cowboys Football President and Soccer President hopefully this week. To discuss what fields are needed
- I have been told that school field use fees will go back to school committee meeting in upcoming months. I will find out more about this at that meeting and update everyone
- Lastly I would like to see what you guys think about Forest Street and do you think it is ready to open to flag or would we like it to sit one more season? Will know more after thaw – use rye seed, should be okay
- Spring field use: Baseball and Softball (youth and adult) added to the list
- June 22 was requested for flag super-bowl. Information about the needs for Forest from flag requested by Emily

Milanowski: scheduled a meeting with the town, rec, and school to figure out how to organize the logistics next week, not Monday or Wednesday.

Brad Brothers: trying to schedule time for tomorrow with Carver Rec and youth sports. Pending meeting.

Emily mentioned it would be beneficial to have as much info in school dude as possible of soccer. But the schedule is just not available yet.

Mary: Forest St – as soon as the warmer weather hits and sprinklers go on we over seed with rye seed. It should handle use in the spring by doing so.

Pat McKneally: they can only fit one full size flag because it is thinner at one end than the other. Flag is asking for four fields at the high school. They need to understand the charges for field use and set registration – which needs to end by 2/28/19

Mary said that this was not consistent with the information she was given. It was expensive to move the fence, and should be more than enough to fit two, that was the plan.

Emily – the areas flag uses are scheduled to be rested next year – so flag should be aware.

Sports advertising via schoolway and Jupiter grades. Mixed feedback – some allowed some not.

Mary – option to put information in the monthly school calendar. Mary will outreach to clarify what can advertised where and when.

Emily asked about soccer – which fields are used. Purchase and High School, practices during the week U10/12 on purchase. U 14/16/18 are at highschool, and U8/6 Sundays high school. Mary asked if they could use forest and alan said no. Jeanette said that flag coordinates around the primary sports, baseball and soccer.

Mary asked about high school shutting down a field – where would soccer go – could they use forest? Alan said not enough parking. Emily reiterated that this is why we are here – asking for help and

feedback. Committee with looking to work WITH you and avoid everyone going to the high school directly. Need to be willing to work with us.

Emily asked for numbers for soccer. Tykes is open til march. Alan said most teams practice twice a week and games on Saturday.

Emily shared an email from Brad Brothers – Brad indicated that he reached out to the sports and never heard back. Emily argued that Rec is now coordinating and should have been contacted.

Meeting date for Feb. 20th at 6:30pm

Skip will submit his dates for use through schooldude, or old school paper.

Emily needs to reach out to Jed Cornock field use

Mary would like to know men's league basketball – drop in, what is the current status of the pickup night – who gets the Thursday night pickup game? Hasn't started yet.

- **Budget and Invoices**

- We continue to grow out revolving act and are at a good point
- We will have to start thinking about user fees as the school begins to finalize there's
- I will need to take over deposit etc Feb 1st this will take some time each month to do currently Kari is still doing this but we have known we have had to take this over.
- Still have to pay two contractors invoice will be submitted this week. I also need to submit to pay for ink for the printer in my office.

- **My Rec Facts**

- I did some comparisons from 8/1/17-1/1/18 to 8/1/18 to 1/1/19
 - We had 348 registrations vs 73 last year and we had 203 of them were first time vs 69 last year. Need to make a note on this I do not believe Edaville Tickets were done via My Rec at this time.
 - Difference in money collected 3,440.00 vs 9,167.00
 - Still top event is the Holiday Wreath Decorating double this year then last year.
 - Wrestling has gone from 7 to 25
 - I would like to look into bringing back Volleyball, Field Hockey they were both highly attended last year.
 - Also does help we are no longer giving refunds unless the class is canceled by us other wise person is getting a credit for a future class.

- **Promotional Items (will need a vote on this)**

- Does anyone have an idea of what we would like to order or how much we would like to spend.
 - We did Frisbees in past I was thinking reusable bags this time could be used if we still plan on doing a Easter Egg Hunt
 - I would like to order a table cloth to be used in future events this can come from one time line item associated with my pay.
 - I will also need to be ordering some more office supplies binders etc that will be needed as I take over the deposit etc.
 - Decision on reusable bags – agreed to unanimously.

Scholarships

- As discussed last months meeting
 - I reviewed many towns policies and I think this one might be the best fit for us if we plan on putting a policy in place
 - The Carver Recreation Department offers scholarships to the Carver Residents whom qualify for free or reduced school lunches. The most the department will aware for a scholarship is 50% of the total cost of the program. Families will only receive one scholarship per year.
 - They have people fill out a scholarship form that I have attached for you to review.
 - Want to make notes that this will come from our budget since we do not make as much of 50 percent off of programs. We could ask the coordinator if they wanted to give a discount to us but this can not be assured that this will happen
 - Also wanted to make a note we have been asked twice already for a scholarship just in last few months.

Discussion about the scholarships – advised not to list available or not per program. We need to figure out legally what we can offer and not offer – committee can't raise funds. Milanowski said that we can do scholarships – at a previous meeting. Emily recommended a couple of families – consider, found two families.

Emily will take requests to vendors – but no scholarships available. No action on scholarships table for future discussions

Emily – need to start thinking very carefully about the vendor fees and the dollars.

No action on King Property next meeting January 22.

Question_ agenda possible vote on jan 22.

Meetings on Jan 22 and 29 to discuss playground meeting 6pm mtng room4

Adam will not be there jan 22,29: to the extent that there can be communication throughout the two weeks to make himself feedback for baseball. Citizen and president league.

There is the possibility that the scope of the project at king property could change entirely and we will have to revise the entire hope for the property

Emily shared the copy of the drawing with football

Emily mentioned potential co-use of the snackshack but initial discussions suggested that it is likely too difficult to manage between multiple sports entities.

Move to close: 8:14



Carver Recreation Committee

Town Hall 108 Main Street

Carver, MA 02330

January 22, 2019 Carver Rec Committee

Chairman called to order 6:14pm

Karl, Jim, Emily, Nicole, Mary, Ellen

Milanowski: The lot near the school administration building is not necessarily something we know that we could even do yet – for new parking. It hasn't been a problem to use it historically but we do not have legal rights to pave and install. May need to go to the zoning board. Probably need permission from condo association (that owns the building) and zoning board.

No complaints thus far about its current use but volume will increase with the development of the project. Committee concerned about presenting something we do not know we can do.

Discussion fence for outfield: temp fence is an option but may not last and a permanent fence will make field maintenance more difficult. The grounds equipment is large and could be challenging. A permanent fence limits soccer and or football field orientation.

It appears that the fence for the new softball field is something we need to keep permanent. It would be important that it be part of the build of the new softball, especially if going to one field.

Discussion: New minor league field does not need lights, but they are in the cost estimate. Majors, no major changes. Bleachers are in the cost estimate.

Discussion: Playground area: existing equipment from the library. It fits in the existing space. There is another space outside the minors that could be used for free play. ADA play pieces need to be considered. The current does not have enough handicap accessible elements. Ultimately we will not end up with less of a playground than there is now. Fence nearest the majors of the playground is ten feet.

If we leave the minor league where it is – the playground can all still go in. But, the fence for minors would have to be replaced with a ten foot fence. If minor gets reoriented still need a tall fence.

Walking Path: we need the distance. It would be stone dust. Path would be from main entrance. Need to find out what the current distance of the walking path is now.

Irrigation – there needs to be some new irrigation – it is already built into the numbers.

Nicole stated that she feels very strongly that lighting is really a component that needs to be part of this. If the lighting isn't done, all this money goes into this facility and it is still only usable until 6pm in the fall and start of the spring. To make this investment worth it, it needs to be usable. If its access is still limited, we aren't getting the value of the money we are investing in it.

Committee mentioned the repair or install of a well is a must have. Discussion evolved to what are the must haves?

MUST HAVE REPAIRS: Majors needs infield redone. Dugouts are okay. Minors field needs infield redone. Drainage is the problem. Fence also needs to be replaced with taller fence. Softball fields needs the infields need completely replaced and outfields need grass. Trees need to be trimmed.

Do we go with a phased approach? Will the future phases get blown over? It would be a shame to get phase one approved and never see the rest of the project happen and then back to bandaid fixes. Other funding sources. We need a master plan next week is \$600K to do x,y.z.

We need a cost for well.

Repair four infields, main parking, playground, improved fencing minors, well, softball netting well and irrigation

\$25,860 infield estimate x 4 - \$105,000 minus bleachers

\$326,300 for playground

\$138,285 main parking

Fixing irrigation outside field needs to be addressed with initial phase

Softball netting would be the only temp item that long term would not be needed

Minor's field fence improvements on 10 foot along third base would be part of phase one with playground, safety

Reminder: Dagmar made a good point playground equipment is good to get donations.

Surfacing: there is no law yet – state is only considering it and in open hearings til July. We are likely done before then. Rubber surfacing is included in a portion of this estimate. Line item 11.

Rec Comm should consider resources in current budget to improve restrooms at King Property

Rec Committee requested that Tom to take another stab the breakdown and cost if placed in phases to be reviewed on Tuesday January 29, 2019.

Phase One will include: Repair four infields, create main parking, build the playground, initial walking paths, improve fencing minors and majors, new well/irrigation, and softball netting.

Phase Two: Install lighting along the side of field opposite the tennis and basketball courts to extend potential daily use/access to fields

Phase Three: Concession and bathrooms improvement, walking paths.

Phase Four: Softball relocation to back left of property, lighting on opposing side of existing lights, and other lighting and remaining walking path.

Phase Five: Minor field rotation

We are also seeking the information of how wide the walking path will be and its total distance in master plan as well as total distance in Phase 1.

No action on the potential vote



Carver Recreation <carverrecreation@gmail.com>

Re: March 13, 2019 minutes

1 message

Niki Tully <tullyniki@gmail.com>

Thu, Mar 28, 2019 at 1:43 PM

To: Carver Recreation <carverrecreation@gmail.com>, Ellen Sordillo <sordilloe@gmail.com>, Jim Hoffman <jimhoff7@verizon.net>, Mary Ross <mimiross40@gmail.com>, Tammy Miller <karl_miller@hotmail.com>

Double check me folks I was multitasking putting these together.

On Thu, Mar 28, 2019 at 10:23 AM Tully, Nicole <Nicole.Tully@bcbsma.com> wrote:

Recreation Committee Meeting 3/13/19

Attendees: Karl Miller, Jim Hoffman, Mary Ross, Ellen Sordillo, Emily Slaven

Meeting called to order 7:12pm

The Committee solicited the sports teams present for feedback on the impact of the field rates recently approved by the School Committee.

Softball estimated a need to increase fees by approximately \$40 to afford the new fees which was thought to be a total cost of \$6000. Football estimated an impact of \$15,000 for flag, football, and cheer. Baseball estimated the yearly impact to be approximately \$9,000 which is \$3,000 more than what they spend now on labor and supplies to maintain the fields. Soccer estimated \$7,000.

Given that it is not expected that the town sports will be able to raise \$51K (the amount identified as missing from the supply budget to maintain all town sports fields) should the sports teams consider a joint fundraiser?

Most of the sports have already increased their registration fees to provide a cushion for the prospective fees.

Football: \$10

Soccer: \$10 tykes and \$15 travel

The Recreation Committee and town sports agreed that there was supposed to be a joint meeting about the proposed rates prior to the rates being put to vote by the School Committee.

The sports team discussed how they would consider limiting their use of the fields to keep the cost down. But this would not generate the funds needed to maintain them.

The sports considered a per athlete charge to raise the supply funds. But it was considered that some sports use fields more than others – or that the sport itself is more detrimental to field, demanding more maintenance and supplies. So alternative ways of assigning accountability were considered.

Discussion: alternative

Collectively, the sports tried to share how many hours they have the fields in use. The total number of hours was then used to label each sport with a % of field use. This percentage was then used to identify how much each sport should contribute, based on utilization. For example if the total use of fields was 100 hours and baseball used it 25 hours – baseball would be responsible for 25% of the total amount due – or 25% of the \$51K.

Milanowski joined the meeting and based on the discussion advised the group that the town and School Committee are aware that it will not be possible for the town sports to afford hourly fees this year. They are aware that research and planning will have to be done to produce this \$51K. So the group should focus on picking a number that they can produce.

The group used the % proposal to try and determine the impact to the sports if the target goal was half of the needed \$51K. The bills would be as follows:

Soccer: \$5603

Football: \$2631

Girls Soft: \$3575

Mens Soft: \$4335

Baseball: \$7,400

Flat rate discussion:

Another alternative was a flat rate based on an estimate of total hours projected, given that it is difficult for sports to know exactly when practices will happen as coaches often have to change their schedules from week to week or weather permitting. School dude updates each time weather impacts the events will be extremely difficult to manage. And if a practice is cancelled – the sport will not want to have to pay for that time.

The Committee asked each of the sports to please review as accurately as they could, the Spring 2018 field use to provide total hour use to the Rec Committee by the close of the following week. The Committee advised that they would reconvene on March 27th from 6-8 to use these numbers to further discuss what the Committee will propose to the Board of Selectman when they consider the approved fees by School Committee. The audience was advised that the Committee may vote on the BOS recommendation on March 27th.



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Re: March 27th meeting minutes

2 messages

Niki Tully <tullyniki@gmail.com>

Thu, Mar 28, 2019 at 1:44 PM

To: Carver Recreation <carverrecreation@gmail.com>, Ellen Sordillo <sordilloe@gmail.com>, Jim Hoffman <jimhoff7@verizon.net>, Mary Ross <mimiross40@gmail.com>, Tammy Miller <karl_miller@hotmail.com>

Double check my notes!!!

March 27, 2019

Attendees: Mary Ross, Karl Miller, Ellen Sordillo, Niki Tully, Emily Slaven

Called to order at 6:05pm

Agenda Item One: Field Use Fees

- We still have not identified a dollar figure that we know the town will accept as sufficient funds raised by the sports for the supplies to maintain all of the town sports fields (includes school fields).
- We know that the need is \$51K but the Committee is concerned that the budget number was given to manage 50-75 acres of land.
- Emily Slaven shared that during a conversation with Brad Brothers, he mentioned he understood that no real number was given. He also pointed out that the field use form with fees says that the town will help the teams in need.
- Mary reopened the discussion of how to generate the funds: per hours of use (%) or per athlete?
- Adam Holmes introduced another option: rather than hourly use, create a block of hours fee. It may make scheduling easier with evolving and changing schedules.
- Milanowski said he was less concerned with the total dollar amount. He thinks it is important for this group to determine a number that is fair and equitable. Then it will have to be worked on next year.
- Mary shared her concerns that the cost the town provided doesn't appear to be relative to supplies only. When supplies were priced offline and volumes considered, the budget presented by the town as needed for field maintenance supplies only seems incredibly high. And the total acreage was estimated to be between 50 and 75 acres – there is a very big difference between 50 and 75 acres. Even if maintenance is only \$1000 per acre, that is a difference of \$25,000 and we would expect per acre to be more than \$2,000. The Committee would prefer a more detailed and accurate description of exactly how many acres and volume/prices of supplies before being comfortable with the proposed needed budget.
- Milanowski said again the dollar figure does not matter. The town needs some support. The sports should just come up with what they can.
- Nicole expressed a concern that Milanowski said multiple times at the meeting on the 13th, and again tonight that the dollar figure doesn't matter. If it does not matter than why has the School Committee voted on a number that they HAVE to have? The concern is that if the number doesn't matter, then these discussions would have happened before a vote and approval took place.
- Adam revived the per athlete fee based on the numbers the teams shared for registration: \$5 would raise \$8165, \$10 would raise \$16,330 and \$15 would raise \$24,495.
- Karl mentioned how important it will be for the sports programs to get behind the registration increases and why they are necessary. And it will be a problem for the town and town sports if the fields are not properly maintained and kept up going forward.
- Emily said that she thinks that most of the town was left with the impression that if turf field fees for out of towners was productive, the turf would be available to the town. The group agreed that no one was left with the impression that the town would have to pay to use the field the town built. That is going to be hard message to deliver.

Each of the sports team went up in fees this spring:

Girls Softball: \$20

Soccer: \$10 (last meeting indicates \$15 for travel)

Baseball: nothing yet

Flag: \$10

Football can go up – registration has happened yet

Softball: \$15

The following statement is a collection of current discussion, not a formal recommendation or proposal.

- Recreation Committee is considering recommending to the Board of Selectman that the Field Use Fees be suspended for town sports for 2019. In replacement of the hourly fees, the sports contribute \$10 per athlete to the budget. Sports programs will make best efforts in conjunction with the Recreation Coordinator to track use of all fields in School Dude for the Spring and Fall so that these hours can be used reconsider a methodology for producing funds for supplies to maintain the fields. The town should also determine a specific total of acreage for the town and school sports fields and produce a detailed overview of the cost of the supplies needed to maintain these fields to ensure that the target budget is accurate. Then collectively, we can re-evaluate the hourly fee, a per athlete charge, and any other recommendation that might be a better fit for assessing how the funding is collected for the supplies for the fields.
- Mary suggested that the sports should all create a wish list – and it HAS to be submitted to the recreation email if it is to be considered. There is some money in the current budget that could be used to possibly pay for sports expenses, such as nets, tarps, and ropes that may create more room in the sports budgets to contribute to the field use fees this year. Emily reiterated the importance of the sports submitting the wish lists.
- Mary and Emily to speak to Elaine about insurance and how the town insurance might be able to help sports as well – free additional dollars in the budgets.
- Mary spoke with Old Colony's director who said they may have the ability to send a work crew for some work
- Milanowski encouraged the Committee and Sports teams to have coaches recruit folks to attend meetings and vote.

Agenda Item Two: Easter Egg Hunt

- April 13th with rain date April 14th
- We have a bunny, Joey Tully backup
- Emily will notify the HS that we can use volunteers
- Costume may need a refreshing
- Emily will donate jellybeans
- Allegrini is donating some candy
- Eggs with emojis and jokes are ordered already

Agenda Item Three: Summer Programs

- Current focus is on getting summer programs set – because parents are planning summer activities
- High School Football coach wants to do a summer camp
- Fashion focus, drama baking are all going again
- Outreach done to photographers and chef
- Looking into ceramics class (bus) and myles standish programs
- Will follow up on the badminton idea

Wrestling submitted invoices for the two purchases.

Karl Miller <karl_miller@hotmail.com>

Thu, Mar 28, 2019 at 2:16 PM

To: Niki Tully <tullyniki@gmail.com>

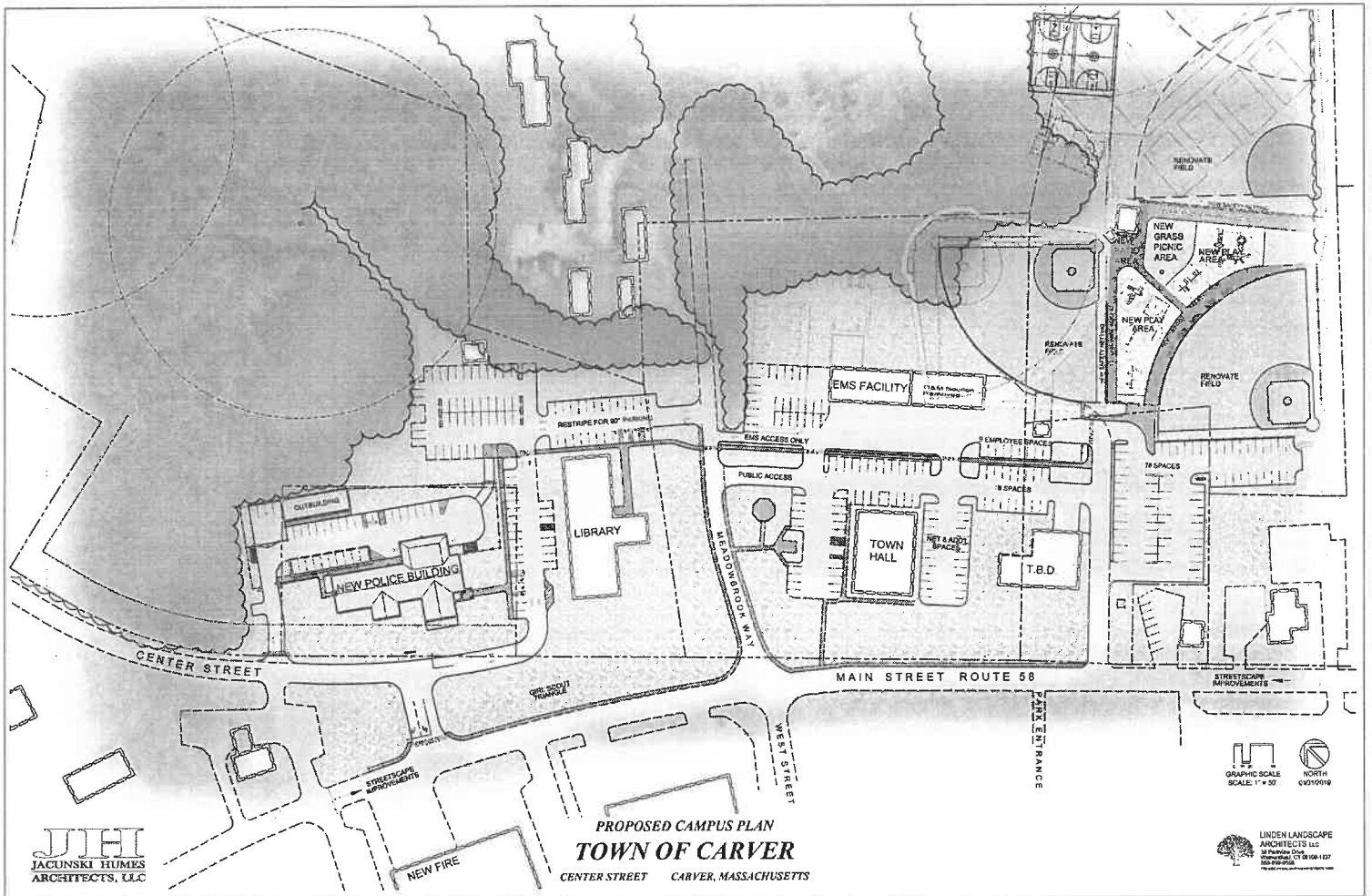
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That's how I remember it. Minus mikes extortion attempt

Karl

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May 22, 2019

Attendees: Emily Slavin, Mary Ross, Niki Tully, Ellen Sordillo, Tom, Dave Siedentopf, Bill Harriman, 2 residential guests

Meeting called to order 5:15

Emily reviewed end of year bills. Eversource came in at \$409.03 which is really high for April and May. (4/10-5/10).

**Emily will fill in the details for the minutes. Committee acknowledged the bill and the impact it will have on future budget given the prospective renovations. It will have to be monitored closely.

Move to approve minutes as circulated. All in favor - unanimous approval

Emily informed the committee that she completed the budget for Recreation and it is no longer with the selectmen.

Tom was welcomed back to the committee. He began with his review of the elementary school and liked the surface. Reviewed the scenes that were shown to CPC and the full master plan, phase one: parking lot, play area and rebuild of infields, etc. Since the town meeting, there has been a completed a formal survey of the property. It was very close to what we saw in the study plan.

Parking area: 68 parking spots rather than 72. If we go with gravel we have to worry about drainage. If we do dense or coarse material it's more pervious, minimizing the drainage concerns. If grade to the side, it improves the drainage as well. Layout very close to the original.

Play area: Relatively close to the original as well. Within 100-200 square feet of the original estimate. The drive comes along the minor field surface which is TBD. Fencing keeps all driving outside the ball field areas. Need to think about drainage.

Ballfields: Tom shared the basic plans for the work on the infields.

Next step for the Committee is picking play equipment and then trying to determine how it will be assembled. Then we start working on the details of the walking paths and access paths.

Mary and Niki met at the playground to look at utilization of equipment and noticed significant use of the path outside the current playground. Emily shared a picture of one sample playground that explained to Tom how the Committee wants to have one perimeter path with spokes to connect to the middle.

Equipment discussion determined that the Committee agreed that the following items should be in the mix:

Climbing structure/rockwall - maybe climbing log

Slide

Swing

Sandbox - digger shovel

Music

Spinner

Vehicle Simulator - truck something or maybe police?!?!?

Viper Swing (multiple person)
Monkey Bars
Spring Rider

Accessories - balance beams, stairs/steps, benches, tables, covered area.

Committee noted that we need to look at the plaques and donated items - honor the donated items. We have to keep in mind the integrity of the original and all the time and effort put into the original - incorporate in some sort of way at the new site.

There are concerns around making these decisions quickly so that we still have time to get to the decisions made – including the time to solicit public feedback so that we are ready to begin building when the time comes. The Committee needs to know when the timeline is for the playground (existing) gets torn down. And when we have to have the final order in to the builder. Find out from Mike when he needs xyz done.

Mary is going to find out which companies are on the state bid list from Nancy White. Each committee member will review some of the different vendors and prepare plans. Right now we have Miracle, GameTime and Design Matters. Emily, Ellen, Niki and Mary each took a catalogue to go through and recommend a playground from.

Next meeting will be Thursday next week 5:30 May 30. June 5 at 5 for next meeting with Tom. We will find additional time for the following weeks.

New item: Carver Youth Wrestling is contemplating with teaming up with Riptide Wrestling Club to help encourage local interest in wrestling by hosting a Wrestling Tournament this summer. What would the cost be to rent the high school gym for one Saturday?

Agenda for next meeting will include the review of committee member findings in catalogues, invoices, review timeline.

Carver Recreation Committee Minutes
June 19, 2019

TOWN CLERK, CARVER, MA
2023 JUL 24 AM 9:17

Attendees: Mary Ross, Karl Miller, Emily Slavin, Niki Tully, Ellen Sordillo
Two citizens and town administrator
Called to order 549

Meeting minutes have not yet been typed up - will review next week.

Update on Playground

Mary spoke with Tom and Nancy about pricing and possible combinations. They had a brief discussion about the major central play structures vs independent smaller units. He clarified that it was not his recommendation *not* to go with one larger but that our concerns about a single large structure were valid. Smaller scale large structures might enhance the space. Nancy thinks she might be able to use a good portion of the equipment at the current playground - benches can be 6 vs 8 feet and extra benches created using the supports. Mary and Emily took all the notes from the committee and public and sent via one memo to Nancy and Tom. They used Miracle and Burke for the recommendations. A third catalogue was provided by Nancy – a third manufacturer because the musical structures are better made by them. Tom will email before next Wednesday with the proposed plans (draft 1). It will go to the committee in advance, to start looking at and prepare questions for next meeting. Committee will look at some of the equipment - like the spring mounted items - to be re-homed. Purchase street may be considered.

Next week some testing will be done - temporarily closing the playground for a couple of days. It will be posted. The selectman's obligation has been met by securing funding - when the construction time table set on the new, some elements of the existing playground may come down for refurbishing.

Bricks - DPW could help collect the bricks. How can we use them in the new playground? Could we possibly sell bricks? If yes - lets do it, it could raise money. Will be explored further.

Emily will work with Meg and Mike to develop a certain fund for any donations. People making donations need to be very specific about their intention for the use of the funds.

At the completion of the project - the town will have to file for a Chapter 97 for the new location.

Emily will reach out to a possible resource for drone and then signs by design on what we can do to etch or create some sort of image to put up at the new playground of the old.

A portion of the existing walking area will be retained for the new Police Station. The bricks should be moved though to new playground. We should start with a count of bricks. Use all existing bricks, not replace them.

Karl Miller will be the Committee point of contact for all things construction.

Field Maintenance Revolving Account

This account is now offline. A new account has been created under Dave Siedentop's care - for field maintenance. We will still collect the funds. Out of that account \$12,483.47, was moved to the Rec revolving account. \$1500. Is owed to men's softball. Leaves Rec Comm \$10,983.47 in the revolving account. End balance after Easter costs \$19,406.99 - not including the field maintenance. Emily will track the use of the field use to address the field costs as originally planned. Non-revolving general budget balance is at \$16.67 after paying off golf lesson bill. Salary article for rec coordinator \$331.66 left in the line item to be used to purchase Carver Night Out and other public events (table clothes promotional items etc).

New Field Maintenance Fees

At this time \$3,170 has been paid by Flag Football. No other sports have submitted their checks. Niki will drop off the receipt for Flag. Deadline is July 1, 2019. Still outstanding: Fall/Spring men's football, spring softball girls and women, baseball (excluded by previous agreement as they are currently maintaining field directly), soccer travel and tykes. If field fees have not been paid, the Rec Committee will not consider schedules for the following seasons. Field use scheduling priority will be given to the sports have submitted their checks and rosters on time.

Summer Programs

Current programs: Culinary camp, Drama, Fashion Focus (Committee to re-share due to low registration possibly causing cancellation), Summer Strength and Conditioning, Tennis, Yoga, Swimming, Hunts Photography, ClayChicks, possibly golf at Squirrel Run

Fall: possible skating - limited because elementary Y limits access to school. Mike seemed to think a memo for what the committee is looking for would be helpful to approach Scott Knief.

Signup for sports and rec: maybe for Carver Night Out

Fashion Focus access to YPAC Coverage: Summer fashion focus, will need someone to let them in and out. 10-1 Mary can help with that if program happens.

Drama access to YPAC Coverage: may need access to get in.

Update on Field Use Challenges

Sprinkler issue at Purchase St - need to confirm that it was resolved.

Emily is trying to start booking football. Emily wants to reach out to Alan regarding soccer and moving football back to Purchase. Emily requested a board member to join the discussion and have an open dialogue. Niki will join the discussion.

King property will likely be closed for the fall.

Starting to think about fall - will we have access to Forest? Has Dave given us any feedback? We should not count on Forest as it is not in good shape.

Mike is working with the school - every field booking HAS to go through Emily. Everything (prospectively).

July bill for MyRec

Committee signed now for the new year.

Other unexpected topics

Phone system in the town hall changed - CRC is now extension 3311. 508-866-3400

Rec/ypac health and wellness event invitation: asking for CRC to partner with them for the fair. From Carver Elementary. Committee agreed it would be good to participate. Piggy backed on annual bookfair and parent teacher day. Date: Aug 30th. Another opportunity to promote Carver Rec.

Move to adjourn 7:43pm

Meeting Minutes 6.26.19

Called to order 5:42

Minutes approved unanimously

Floor given over to Tom and Nancy

Tom handed out a printout - they have an initial proposal. These items are currently considered placeholders and can be modified. Everything currently in the layout is close to the existing budget, but we certainly couldn't do more. Tom went through the pictures and the equipment in correlation to design.

1. The existing sandbox will be replicated but edge will be higher and handicap accessible, with better equipment. Diggers will be replaced and clover leaf elevated sandbox. One digger will be handicap accessible.
2. Shaded bench (existing) will be beside the sandbox. Same roof, new hardware possibly new poles. Can attach panels to it for learning panels. Possibly put the recognition of the old playground there.
3. Concerto vibes, bongo and xylophone: also adjacent to sandbox area on hard surface areas.
4. Spring riders (police fire ambulance): they average \$11-1200. If we want something more customized, we need to decide sooner than later because they take longer. REC COMM: we would prefer not to have a 'get-in' spring mounted, but 'get-on' instead. Nancy will go back to the manufacturer and find out what it would take (time and \$) to go to ride on. REC COMM: We also want to be sure that we aren't taking away from the toddler age - Diane is confident.
5. Balance objects: balance beam and nature ideas - used stumps, logs, and rocks.
6. Existing buckets and spinners, one sit and one stand can be easily saved with new footers.
7. Re-using platforms and slides with new parts to create another for 2-5. Close to \$9,000 in savings. Spiral slide alone is \$4-5,000. This is currently the first thing they see upon entrance.
8. Swings, three buckets and adaptive swing. REC COMM: We are not happy with this swing. The pic is the wrong pic. Looks more like what we have today. There is room to make adjustments REC COM: maybe switch out one bucket for a belt swing and put in a mommy/me. Mommy and me needs a wider bay but Nancy may be able to make it work because there is room for it. Decided to go with the Little Tykes version which is less expensive and more user friendly. Nancy will do what she can to keep two buckets, one belt, and the little tykes
9. Inclusive whirl – this is an absolute required
10. Rev8 Spinner: good to have the two spinners next to one another. But it brings a good opportunity to be part of the same activity regardless of disability. Enhances cooperative play.
11. Entering 5-12 area Lookout rock.
12. Reflex like a worm/balance beam/seesaw
13. Door knob jam, ladder, door knobs, and rockwall type climber - plyo blocks all different heights
Cargo climber
14. Reuse existing slides to build new slide structure
15. Custom structure: roller slide, curve slide, disk challenge, fire pole, sky pods viper slide telescope.
Community feedback: Can the transfer station have fewer stairs? Nancy thinks she has an idea that can help with this. REC COMM: can we make this a stainless steel slide? It may be triple the price...Nancy will look into it. REC COMM: communication and interactive panels, steering wheel? Plenty of time and room to add the little pieces.
16. Swings: four belt swings, and one adaptive.
17. Airventure

Room for gagaball and expansion should we get more things donated.

Follow-up and side discussions: Swings, friendship seats and the game time expression swing; adaptive swings often have their own bays. In the younger section, little tykes version vs game time and then adaptiv. Preference that the little swings have two buckets, little tykes, and a belt. If the beams are not big enough, we can ditch the belt.

REC COMM: How do we decide which size swings to purchase? Its about the type of playground - community go with a little larger or one of each.

REC COMM: Are we missing anything ? No - its different and a lot of variety. Site lines are outstanding! Still need to build in the communications items but they are smaller...like talk tubes, near a bench.

REC COMM: Colors? Benches? Tom has the product number and he will be going to find the pricing. Also looking at the value of the frames - may be able to re-use the frames with new recycled material. Benches and picnic tables last in. The colors that we have are the colors we have to stay with. We arent saving anything with yellow so lets steer away from that. Let's go with natural neutral earthy colors and maybe one bright popping color lie blue.

REC COMM: when are we ready to order? Next steps? Schedule for the station are that the design team and documents will be done by mid july - then goes to bid end of august-ish. Bids come in mid-sept. Contracts - October/November before construction begins. Back into September/October to begin build. So orders go in by Aug 1 at the latest. Custom stuff will need more time. Selectman would prefer to have it built by September. Is the Rec Comm in the position to be ready 2-3 weeks to put the order in? Yes but REC COMM needs to take the final recommendations to the public. Let's schedule a Saturday meeting and put up a poster in town hall for at least a full week - allow the public to have a sense of ownership. Asking for comments and votes. Tom and Nancy will need two weeks. Plan to have something up in the town hall by week of July 8th then vote Wednesday the 17th\

REC COMM: When is it appropriate to now send out letters about donations - Mike: not until after the vote

REC COMM: If a donation is made - can the person donating get a donation letter for tax purposes?

REC COMM: We got a request to use a ballfield on Aug 1 and they want to rent King softball - possibly to be discussed.

Jim Hoffman: motion to connect the walking path at the Police station to the King property to maximize walking path. Unanimously in favor.

The Committee has made the recommendation in prior meetings to reuse equipment at the existing playground, where ever possible. Purchase St was discussed and recommended.

The Rec Comm unanimously recommends that we want to designate King Property be made a permanent recreation area and support the Selectman in this approach.

Committee wants to retrieve and re-use the bricks at the current path - incorporate them in the new pavement area. We may want to even sell new bricks. Thoughts of possibly making a brick pavers in the entrance. Tom made the recommendation of a border.

Emily will work on posters.

Bill Harriman will reach out to Mike Shaw on the drone shot to get to Signs By Design.

Emily spoke with Signs by Design to have it etched on something to go in the new playground

Because numbers are low for swimming - if we need to hire a second, how much of \$ hit will rec committee take. And it should be advised that parents stay. Currently 3 level 1's, 2 level 2's, and 1 level 3's.

Rec Comm will introduce the idea of a small dock at John's Pond at next Selectman's meeting.

Emily is working with Dan Badger about programs for next year.

Move to adjourn: 8:45pm

Meeting Minutes July 23, 2019

Called to order 5:21

Attendees: Mary Ross, Karl Miller, Ellen Sordillo, Niki Tully, Jim Hoffman, Emily Slavin

Noted: The Committee asked Tom and Michael (TA) if we were on budget with the current plan - we were told that yes we were and not to get hung up on numbers for money.

Chair shared an update from a discussion with Michael Milanowski who was unable to attend in person. Michael believes that Nancy is still involved in the project. Michael spent several days speaking to any number of people about donations and additional available funding sources. He intends to build the playground exactly as we have designed it. He is going to fight to make sure it all gets funded. He mentioned a concern about the poured in place if it doesn't last a long time - but recognized the Committee's preference to try and use it for the entire surface. He wants to build the playground as current designed - and expressed sincerity in Committee's outstanding performance on putting this together in 6 months. The surfacing when it goes to bid - he will put it out to bid for 50/50 and 100% poured in place. He will try to make the preferred surface happen if budgeting allows.

*The Committee can do more poured in place to improve current design without doing absolutely all - even if we can manage 'most'. Putting woodchips and poured in place together will have wood chips everywhere and all over. - This was shared with Michael and he explained he would have DPW maintain it.

Michael indicated that the \$75K estimate provided by Tom on mulch was inaccurate but Tom priced that for us - Michael said no, it's like \$20K. (This was confirmed by Tom later in the meeting and made clear that both Tom and Michael will be seeking several cost estimates of surfacing from multiple sources).

Michael was asked to provide the specific costs of the individual pieces so that we could look at what changes might bring us back in budget. We wanted to look at specific pieces - like the rock being \$17K, but each piece was carefully considered. Michael confirmed his confidence that nothing should be removed even knowing that it is over budget. The pricing breakdown was not provided but Michael advised the current cost of the equipment alone is about \$100K.

*Committee talked about additional poured in place between equipment should be considered if budget allows. Committee noticed that Rev8 doesn't have a fall zone around it in the current layout/blue print. The plan should be updated to include poured in place from inclusive whirl to the Rev8. Mary will bring this to Michael and Tom.

The Committee has asked for pricing - Burke didn't want to break it down to individual pieces. This was bid as a package deal. This concerned the Committee. Michael advised the Chair that the vote to finalize the equipment and vote to order is a major priority for this town given the timeline for this project and the Police station. He wants the Committee to vote in favor of the parking lot and playground tonight. (Committee already voted the playground but will do it again). Parking lot is #1, Playground is #2, Fields are #3 and #4, the rest of the list includes well, irrigation, bathrooms and lighting. All are part of Phase One of this project.

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The Committee is very concerned about the fact that the bathroom is in #4 and that we will not get #4. Bathrooms are important to the public. If we are already over budget, getting to the bathrooms will be problematic. If we remodel - it needs to be brought up to code - and ADA compliant.

*Discussion: Is it an option for the Committee to vote to approve the design provided the bids for the labor and non-equipment final costs allow? The problem is that Michael wants to order the equipment now, and the bids haven't done that yet. Committee is stressed that we should have given us the number for us to look at as requested in order to be confident in this vote.

Town has \$286K for the playground. According to Michael, the cost of the equipment is in the ballpark of \$100K but no specific breakdown and we are not even confident that it includes install. Last week's estimate provided by Tom - according to Michael are not final numbers and most of the numbers discussed at the July 17 meeting likely far exceed the actual cost. So it is likely safe to say that we are not overbudget yet, but have to be careful because the remaining \$186K eventually has to cover the cost of the install and surfacing. Ultimately – the Committee has been asked to accept that the town can make the numbers work (through negotiating better prices, donations, in house labor, etc) but we do not have the numbers tonight to validate this.

The Committee is confident based on the history of these types of municipal projects - especially given this town's ability to come in under budget, ie Elementary School, Fire Station, and turf but the we are very worried about voting without all the details we think we prefer to have up front. We ideally want it as designed but given what we were told last week about being well over budget, The Committee is also concerned that if we decide we do not vote to order the equipment tonight (given the lack of cost breakdown that we requested) that we, the Rec Committee could be faulted for delays to the Police Station project. We are also concerned that by ordering everything on the list, we will put the budget at risk because we do not have the cost breakdown that we need to be confident in the decision. The Committee has reasons to believe the town will find the money to make this playground happen but that other projects or pieces of the projects will be negatively impacted.

Tom was speaker conferenced in.

- With the design as is currently planned, we are short \$162K. This includes the equipment, surfacing, installation everything. But this also includes EVERYTHING at prevailing wage. And the initial cost by Burke for their equipment, surfacing and labor. We will still put the work out to bid for the surface and install and allow project owners to compete for the business and drive the final cost down.
- Mary asked about the Rev8 poured in place and EWF is still in design and can modify. Things may be moved left or right to a degree to make the most of poured in place. Mary also asked him to also consider access to reflex.
- Tom asked if the Committee got the numbers we asked for, we said no. Tom indicated that Michael told him to send them to him, not the Committee and Michael would share with Rec Committee what we needed to know.
- Tom confirmed the cost of the EWF (wood chips) came down but the volume of poured in place increased which put us close to the same.
- Tom advised the current cost is based only on Burke is installing everything so surface prices came from Burke. Tom plans to ask Miracle to look at this as well as other vendors. Burke has been frustrating because they won't break it down - how hard is it to break it down we are asking for \$97K worth of equipment? Committee recognized they gave us a price based on the

whole project – if the scope of the project changes so will pricing – Committee understood Burke's positioning. But we still do not have the Burke vs Miracle cost even.

- Tom was asked if he was comfortable sending the Committee the numbers he sent Michael so Committee could have the information for the vote. Tom said no, get them from Michael. Michael has numbers from stone as well as other product.
- Tom confirmed that the Generation Little Tykes Swing will replace the swing in the previous product listing.

The Committee feels that the numbers that were tossed around in the previous meeting by Tom on July 17th were not drilled down accurate enough to have been shared with the Committee and were misleading. The current \$162K over budget looks at the cost being based on the initial quote from Burke for their pieces, surface, and install as well as the initial quote for the Miracle pieces. Nothing else has gone to bid. The town can still negotiate with Burke, Miracle, and other surface businesses. Right now the numbers and estimate costs are at prevailing wage and are more than likely to come down. So these are estimates at cost - no deals, no labor covered by the town. So we are over budget on the playground project overall - but that is based on worst case, most expensive costs won't come down and the town is confident it will come down significantly - enough to cover the cost of the project as a whole. Committee recognized that previous projects like the Elementary School, Fire Department and Turf Field went through similar experiences and all came in at or under budget. Town has a history of performing well within budget and negotiating deals for product and labor. Delays to the ordering of the equipment could cause major delays to the Police Station project. Purchasing equipment later would be more expensive and more risky to the budget.

Michael thought selling bricks is a good idea. Committee needs to learn what was charged for bricks before and what it will cost to make the bricks. Emily will reach out to Elaine Weston and research prices. Ideally, we would have them there to sell at Carver Night Out. Or alternatively, the ability to price and allow residents to sign up to purchase prospectively.

Karl made a motion to approve funding to move forward with the construction of the parking lot. Second by Jim. Unanimously approved by the Committee.

Niki made a motion to approve the equipment chosen in the design as listed in the updated design as of July 23, 2019 including the swing change to the Generation Little Tikes swing. Second by Jim. Unanimously approved.

Jim made a motion to vote in favor of moving forward with placing the order for the equipment currently listed in the updated design as of July 23, 2019 as approved by unanimous vote by Committee on July 23, 2019. Second by Karl. The vote was approved 4-1.

In part four Committee feels the priorities should be in the following order: well, irrigation, bathrooms and then lighting. Karl made a motion to list these priorities. Second by Niki. Unanimously approved.

Motion to adjourn 6:56pm – meeting adjourned.

Carver Recreation Committee Meeting Minutes
Aug 28, 2019

Attendees: Mary Ross, Jim Hoffman, Karl Miller, Emily Slaven, Ellen Sordillo, Niki Tully

Meeting called to order 5:15

Discussion item: Where do checks go when a donation is made to the playground? Checks made out to The Town of Carver with for King Property Recreation Facility in the memo section of the check. The Committee can share this is the method. Suggestion made that the Committee put together a one-pager so that if anyone on this committee wants to help raise funds we can.

Mary will reach out to Decas and review the items we are working on.

Generally speaking - equipment is supposed to arrive in fourth week of September and hopefully installed by October. More work being done now removing stumps in parking area. Next will be parking area drainage and field drainage. Town labor will reduce costs wherever possible.

Bricks: Bill Harriman update: shared a disk with pictures from the drone and a paper list of the 51 bricks that are in place currently. When we do select a photo - we should give credit to Mike Shaw for the photo. Mary has found a number of bricks in storage - less than 20. We want to know what to do with the bricks, should they be moved? Dave will have the bricks currently installed moved to storage. We still do not know how much the original bricks sold for. Bill had a point of contact who engraved the bricks engraved for the fire fighters - so we do have someone who is capable of engraving. But, we do need a certain grade of brick. We will sell the bricks \$100 each. Committee will need to create a form letter to circulate to local businesses.

Dave S. wants to know if we have any interest in re-using the batting net that is there. Karl will have a discussion with Adam. Karl recommended not making tar a surface when relocated.

Emily shared some issues with Dave: Purchase, some dipping areas. Forest St - any chance we can send the little ones football there? Dave will look at it and see if it can be used. Emily needs some help finding space for girls softball. The field at upper pond - if we were able to open that, we could move soccer make that for next fall. Dave is concerned about new irrigation, its very torn up, would need overseeing with two seasons of growth. Not likely for next fall. Emily is hoping for a meeting with Santos, Dave and Emily to talk about what is on the plan. Dave reminded the committee that they hope to be able to open the elementary school for soccer and softball.

Dave was asked if the maintenance of the fields include parking lot maintenance - weed kill, does that come under town DPW? Yes Dave agreed that DPW will make sure that the weeds do not destroy the parking lot - he will also look into what products he can use.

What do the Police Station Committee and the Town need from this Committee going forward and now to support the Playground next steps. Bill indicated that the Police Station Committee is thrilled with the progress and accomplishments of the playground. If more is needed from us, we are certainly willing to do more where we can.

At the next meeting Carver Rec will review with TA, the money and where it is allocated, break down the details where possible. If appropriate we will approach the CPC to show where we are with current funds and how best to allocate moving forward.

There is about \$10,000 from field use fees that we could put toward dugout repairs. Dave is looking into prefab dugouts - hopes to have some \$ estimates now.

Some other efforts that are going on, 55+ survey with great results. Shows that the stereotyping of seniors and council in aging is no longer consistent with the reality. Anyone from 50-85 can be completely active so this age group is stereotyped. We and COA are both doing recreation. There is the hope that we can create more active living environment in the town. Trying to figure out how to use this data to determine how the town should use their limited resources to create new activities. Hired Dan Badger - looking at all local programs in town. Many improvements have been made to improve the financial health of the town but social town activities need to be better coordinated. When the data is released, TA would like to have the Committee involved in discussions - how to collaborate with the town programs and offerings.

Can town hall space be used for recreation activities? TA said that there was some use that could be considered depending on the space. Commented that the space at the fire station could be used. Emily will look into whether or not the space at the fire station could be used because it is more of a classroom. Dave and TA comfortable with Emily reaching out.

Emily posted today, the new photography class and both dates sold out in a few minutes.

Move to approve the minutes from July 17th. Unanimously approved. Mary will check to make sure all recent minutes are up and posted.

Emily's update on fields. She will go to the committee to pay for the movement of the equipment trailer back to forest st. Mike said okay on the field, school committee bldg needs to okay, and then will move.

Volleyball - town stuff.

Emily shared bills for eversource, committee signed off.

Karl to write down his idea on the schedule for turf
Another round table prior to the November.

Swimming is over.

What is the paid out for swimming \$302.88. 6 families \$200 profit

Fashion Focus - no money lost

Drama - Saturday school use, \$150

Tennis - due to change in signups, no profit

Cooking - not sure yet

Strength and Conditioning - \$150 profit

Fall:

Claychicks: taking the bus to the library: can use the library with Emily locked up at the end. \$15/artist
for Halloween and Xmas

Working on wreaths 2 days

Photography for sept done. Oct in the works

Need to follow up with Dan Badger

Yoga proposal: (teachers are going to be charged if use school) going through us will now be more
beneficial (no charge)

Carver Recreation Meeting Minutes November 20, 2019

In Attendance: Emily Slaven, Mary Ross, Ellen Sordillo, Jim Hoffman, Karl Miller

Called to order 6:05

- **Approve minutes from the previous meeting** - Niki provided Sept and Oct meeting notes to the committee prior to the meeting for approval. Minutes to be reviewed at the end of the meeting.
- **King Property Recreational Facility update** - Mary and Emily had a meeting with Dave to discuss fields but they started the meeting with a playground update and they wanted to share with everyone.
 - Playground will be opening in Spring and they will need to put on future agenda planning a ribbon cutting. They will continue to do as much as possible before the winter but some things will need to wait such as ground surface to playground, infield irrigation and sand for ball fields. Adam do you have the approx date that spring ball will begin. We also got confirmation on damage to fencing and they did hold money back from tree company. We also discussed cement and he was going to talk to Michael about removal. Lastly we talked about signage and Mary will be sending an email to Tom to see if we can get some signage verbiage used at many playgrounds. Then will reach out to Peter Allgrini to see if he is interested in having a meeting to discuss signage with committee. We did also discuss getting numbers on Backstop fencing and dugouts so the committee can discuss if they would want to put in field maintenance money they have.
 - - Approximate start date of baseball is April 1st.
 - - Adam asked if there is something that will be put to bid - there are companies he is aware of that would like to bid on it who is typically very competitive and might work well for the town.
 - ? What changed that we do not need a second well?
 - Public contribution: please make sure that the signage is ADA compliant
 - Winterized fencing will be put in place
 - We believe company that is installing the new is installing what could also be re-used.
 - Rev8 and other equipment look really high up right now. The ground will have to built up and then the poured in place. It will not be that high off the ground.
 - The old fire truck was voted to go at Bates Pond - Mr Harriman will confirm that is where the boy's father prefers it go. Mr Harriman will follow up and get back to us.
 - ? Confirm the sprinklers and snackshack are winterized. Emily will send an email and copy stakeholders.
- **Reminder King Property donations are still being accepted and share links were letter and commitment forms can be found**
 - We continue to hand out forms please continue to share this information with others. These are the list of ones we currently have in hand.
 - Carver Police Union - 2500.00
 - Main Street Liquors - Brick
 - Carver Police Station Advisory Building Committee - Brick
 - Georgios - Brick
 - Blair Agency - Brick
 - Shelby and Kyle Blair - Bricks
 - Ginbach Enterprises, LLC - Shady Acres Campground - 2,000
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- **Give information on Donna Forands Community Project. Wreaths across Carver.**
 - Donna has reached out and Emily asked her to come and speak on this project she is working on. Community project to get people organized in an intergenerational project. Putting wreaths on veteran graves. The help that would be needed would be to place the wreaths. They are available at Shaws. Emily will email out the informational flyer. Century21's front lobby has been offered for a drop off.
- **Carver Youth Sports Teams have been invited to this meeting to discuss the change that was made earlier in year to user fees for use of town grass fields.**
 - **Emily will present what was collected since the new user fee was implemented**
 - We have collected Spring Fees from Womens Softball - 720.00 still waiting on roster
 - Mens softball paid Spring and Past Fall payments - 2300.00 still waiting on roster
 - Soccer Spring User Fees - 2770.00
 - Flag Football User Fees - 3170.00
 - Spring Baseball User Fees would have been 1760.00 but there were exempt because they paid maintenance on own fields. We need summer baseball roster number - approx 80 athletes.
 - Summer Girls Softball - 250.00 Emily will review the spring numbers - approximately 85-90 plus approx 20 tykes.
 - Fall Girls Softball 430.00
 - **Total 11,400.00 will need to be adjusted by another 1600 to account for missing information.**
 - But Emily still needs to collect Football, Mens softball and Soccer Fall payments which deadline has passed and was hoping to have in hand for today's meeting so we could better determine how much the combined seasons will bring in with the 10.00 increase. Does anyone have their numbers that they would like to share with me. Soccer, Men's softball dropped off rosters and checks totalling - \$3370. Football owes about \$770. Approx \$17140 end balance - that is not an exact number. Initial estimate was projected to be 20-25K which is no where near the 55k requested.
- **Review Operations and Maintenance Department and Recreation expenses**
- **Discuss maintenance schedules and expectations**
 - When meeting with Dave in previous meeting he mentioned the 106,000 to maintain all fields, including the schools and towns. We asked Dave to break it down for only King Property, Purchase Street and Forest Street fields so we are waiting on irrigation price.
 - Expectation:
 - - Irrigation will be Spring open and Winter close, hired out
 - - Fertilization will be a 6 application process and they hire out for this. Separate from school fertilization.
 - - Mowing will be done by his staff and I will be meeting with him and his staff prior to each season to review who will be using the fields and when so when they set mowing schedule they might be able to take this into consideration. For example if softball plays on Sunday and the mow day for those fields are Monday maybe we could move it to Thursday.

- - We will be discussing porta potties currently recreation paid for this with field fees so we will be discussing this but the bill is around 2575.00 from Nov of last year so that bill will be coming in soon.
- ? Do we need more than one at each field? When Bolduc did it, they were cleaner.
- - Also Recreation pays the electric bills for all three of those fields.
- - We do also leave money for field maintenance and damages. Note: we did have some damage to a bench on Purchase Street. It was reported to the police and we are waiting on a bill from soccer to replace the bench.
- We did want to mention that part of the expectations that teams will still be lining fields and baseball and softball will do home field touchups.
- **Open up discussion to see if the increase of 5.00 have affected any of the sports teams.**
 - We did want to discuss expectations with the teams.

Discuss any topics not reasonably anticipated by the Chairman 48 hours in advance of meeting

- Would like to mention the 2 current signups we have open wreath decorating Monday night is sold out Tuesday is still open and looking to fill it.
- Second one is Wrestling. Mary and Emily met with Niki to plan the wrestling for this year. Emily would like to make a note that after reviewing what everything will cost we have increased it to 75.00 a child and registration is open. Emily will be pushing flyer this week. If anyone on the committee would like to breakdown of costs please let me know and Emily would be happy to share or add to upcoming agenda.
- Lastly show the flyer that was in the Recreation Box Santa for Senior

(Notes by Emily Slaven)

