

These are the minutes from the November 1, 2016 meeting of the Hanover Parks and Recreation Committee. Present were Board Members; April Manupelli-Chair, Debbie Sullivan, Kelly Gilroy, Michelle Cavallaro, Steve Geddes and Mike Tivnan. Also present Art Ceurvels

Other attendees included; HYHA Representatives: John Fanning, Bob Melone, Dennis Keenan, and Chris Carney

Having a quorum, the Chair called the meeting to order at 7:02pm.

New Business

Meeting Minutes:

April Manupelli moved to approve the September 13, 2016 minutes, Kelly Gilroy second the motion; so voted unanimously.

There were no minutes from the October 4, 2016 meeting as there was not a quorum.

Forge Pond Park Dedication: Sunday, November 13th at 11am.

April Manupelli provided an update; approximately 30 people have responded that they will be attending the ceremony. *Mom on the Go* will be providing refreshments. A reminder will be sent out by Cathy H.B. (*Around Town*) as well as Evite. As requested, a list of invitees was provided to Mike Tivnan. Mike said the purpose of the event is to thank all those that were instrumental in the purchase and construction of the facility.

Hanover Day Permit:

The Committee approved a permit request submitted by Melinda Bertoni to hold the Hanover Day events on June 23rd, 24th and 25th. Her permit requests access to B. Everett Hall Field starting on Monday June 19th at 6pm.

April Manupelli moved to approve the permit, Steve Geddes second the motion; so voted unanimously.

Batting Cages at Forge Pond Park:

April Manupelli reported that Dan Condon and Dennis Toner came to the October 4th meeting to present a proposal for batting cages at Forge Pond Park. Mike Tivnan stated that they were presenting on behalf of the HYAA Softball.

Mike reminded the Committee they had already approved the installation of a batting cage behind Baseball Field #2 subject to the Committee's approval of the design and location (HYAA letter dated 9/14/16). Mike provided the Committee with a picture of the proposed batting cage as well as a picture of a bocce court. He stated, the proposed batting cages would have a garden timber base (as shown in the bocce court picture) designed to prevent the stone dust base from leaving the enclosure area. Mike also stated that the plan is for *Burns Landscaping* to build and install the black netting cage.

Art Ceurvels stated that the Town's position is that a maintenance plan needs to be approved by the DPW prior to the installation of the cages. April Manupelli said the maintenance of the cages will be addressed in the HYAA MOU (memorandum of understanding) that is pending approval.

Memorial Tree Donation at Forge Pond Park:

An October 3rd e-mail was received from a California resident inquiring about a FPP tree donation on behalf of a Hanover resident. Knowing the person wanted to spend \$100 to \$250 it was suggested that the person contact the *Friends of Hanover Parks & Recreation* to see what options would be available through their program.

Hockey Rink Proposal:

John Fanning (Hanover Youth Hockey Association, President) presented a plan to relocate the proposed street hockey rink from the initial approved locations of B. Everett Hall Field and Ceurvels Field. John Fanning stated the initial locations proved to be undesirable for a hockey rink. Repurposing of the B. Everett

Hall Tennis Court would not work on the existing footprint. To modify the footprint adjacent trees would have to be removed, resulting in push back from the abutters. The repurpose of Ceurvels Field Basketball Courts would not be beneficial because of the remoteness of the location.

John stated, ideally the site should be on a main street that would prevent vandalism and provide ease of access for users. John said his committee believes the perfect location would be the Amos Gallant Field. John provided an overlay that illustrated a large and small rink as well as the existing ballfield. Mike Tivnan suggested that HYAA may no longer need the ballfield given the number of ballfields presently available. Mike said that he would reach-out to HYAA to confirm their needs. John stated if the site was approved for the hockey rink, and if funding permits, his committee would be willing to build a playground on the site as well that would benefit neighborhood.

April Manupelli moved to approve Amos Gallant Field as the primary location for the hockey rink as presented by the HYHA, Mike Tivnan second the motion; so voted unanimously.

Eagle Scout Kiosk Project

On 10/31 Ryan Bruder sent an e-mail questioning the location of the kiosks. April Manupelli and Debbie Sullivan stated that the locations of the kiosks were provided to Ryan Bruder during the June meeting, and they have not changed.

Playground Inquiry

On 10/21 an e-mail was received from a King Street resident interested in a playground at FPP. Michelle Cavallaro agreed to have the e-mail forwarded to her, and she contact will the resident regarding the playground.

Carols at the Bandstand

Art Ceurvels reported that Lauren Rodday is working on a Holiday Carol event at the Bandstand in conjunction with the Center/Sylvester *Winter Chorus Concert* on Thursday, December 8th 5pm-7pm

April Manupelli moved to adjourn, Mike Tivnan second; so voted unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:20pm.