

These are the minutes from the April 13, 2017 meeting of the Hanover Parks and Recreation Committee. Present were Board Members; Ed Alicea-Chair, Michelle Cavallaro, Kelly Gilroy and Bevin Gray. Also present Lauren Rodday.

Also Present: Emmanuel Dockter, Diane Campbell, Judy Higginbottom, Carla Campbell-Gallant Field
Mike Stevensen and Mrs. Stevensen- Eagle Scout Project
June & Roy Somers- Concession Stand

Having a quorum (quorum was filled at 7:25pm), the Chair called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

New Business

Meeting Minutes:

Michelle moved to approve the March 22, 2017 minutes, Kelly second the motion; so voted unanimously.

Concession Stand:

June and Roy explain that in order to make Forge Pond Park a real concession stand more equipment is needed. The Committee is willing to work with her, but the costs associated with the equipment are expensive. The Committee will do more research and get back to June. In the meantime if she would like to go to the fields while they are being used with her truck she can.

Eagle Scout Project:

Mike presents his idea for a fenced in picnic area with 8-10 tables at B. Everett Hall Field. He would like to level the area and add stone so it will be maintenance free for the DPW. The Committee supports his idea, but would like to see a more detailed plan including a drawing once he receives approval from his council.

Gallant Field:

See attached presentation from Diane Campbell. A group of neighbors in the Gallant Field area have come together to come up with an idea for a park at Gallant Field/Curtis School property, but are open to suggestions as well. They would like to see an inclusive playground, butterfly garden, picnic area, shelter and historic markers. Within each piece they would like to see an advisory panel formed to oversee that particular piece of the project. They are in the early stages of their planning, but Diane already has reached out to the South Shore Science Center and the YMCA and they are interested in helping with a garden. Diane explained the history of the property and would love to incorporate the Historical Society as well. Ed Alicea provided everyone with the 2007/2008 Master Plan for Gallant Field. The Committee likes the concept of making the park inclusive for all to use and requests a detailed plan from the group as their next step.

Summer Update:

This summer's registration is off to a slow start. With upcoming construction projects at and around B. Everett Hall Field we are looking to use the Middle School for our summer programs. We are still in the research stage and will have a detailed update at our May 11th meeting as there are many moving pieces and as always the safety of our participants is our first priority.

Miscellaneous:

Field Permits-

June 10th FPP Pavilion Request- Not approved, will reach out to Monica to see if they would like to do another date

June Bandstand Festival Request- Committee would like to invite Mr. Burke to the May 11th meeting with a more detailed description of events

June 28th Rocket Night- Approved

VNA Donation- The VNA graciously donated \$4500 towards financial aid for our summer programs. Families can fill out a financial aid application and the Director of Community Services will be approving the requests.

Bandstand Concert Series-

Due to the construction of the Veteran's Memorial Garden we are looking to move the concert series to the Forge Pond Park pavilion.

Forge Pond Park Concession Stand-

Emmanuel Dockter inquired if volunteers could run the concessions. Ed explained that when handling food you must be ServSafe certified. Lauren will send Emmanuel Lynn Petrowski's email address as she teaches ServSafe classes.

Michelle moved to adjourn, Bevin second; so voted unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:24pm.