Town of Seymour
Parks Commission

Monthly Meeting - July 17, 2017

Members Present: Bill Paecht, Gary Popielasz, Mike Gargano
Member Absent: Bob Lang, Bill Sawicki
Guests: Jordan Addis, Seymour DPW

Meeting was called to order at 7:03 PM by Bill Paecht.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Gary Popielasz and all joined in.

The June 26, 2017 minutes were approved. Motion to accept by Gary Popielasz, 2nd by Mike Gargano. All in favor.

Public Comment
None

Public Works Director Comments

Jordan Addis was informed by Tony Caserta that there is a program to show the man hours on a spreadsheet but the program is not beneficial to DPW.

Mulch is needed for all playgrounds. Cost is $25.00 / yard picked up at Jim Weed's Land Clearing. Jordan received another quote for mulch delivered at $25.00 / yard delivered for Gary and Chatfield Park. This mulch sales agency recommends that 4" - 5" depth is recommended but DPW said that 3" depth is sufficient. This quote will save man hours along with wear and tear on the DPW trucks.

Jordan reported that grass seed in 6 50 lb. bags will cost $648.00.

French park outfield will need repairs due to the usage from Citizens Engine fireman's carnival. He said he plugged, seeded and watered the outfield.
The sand pro machine is out of order. There are steel finds in the crankcase oil. The will try to use the old machine. Jordan will get a price on a new machine.

Jordan received a quote from Sports Turf Specialists to have the SMS baseball field redone at a cost of $15,245.18. Jordan will look into having the DPW redo the field and have an estimate at the next Park's meeting.

French Park infield is puddling along the apron. Jordan will resurface those areas to alleviate this problem.

Jordan received an estimate for the weed whacker racks for the trucks; 3 tier rack is $243.99; 2 tier rack is $218.99. He will find out how many they need to purchase.

There's a dead tree on Spruce St. Jordan will check it to see if the town can handle the cut down and removal of it. Sochrins Pond needs to have the high weeds trimmed. DPW is removing the rocks from front of SMS and moving them to French Park to complete the wall so probably no rocks will have to be purchased for the completion of the wall. About 100' of curbing will need to be installed at Gary Park parking lot to prevent washout. Jordan and other DPW personal would like to attend more of the classes at UCONN for parks and agriculture training to help them wilt our parks. They learned new procedures and helped them to maintain the parks from the one they attended recently.

Ted will start striping the fields soon for soccer and Pop Warner football.

Porta potties need to be moved to the upper football field at SHS.

Parks Chairman Report

The backstops at French Park, Mathies Field and Bungay School need to be replace from about 8' up from the bottom. The fences are curled up and is a safety violation.
The new lawn mower was ordered.

The following were requests and needed approval to order from Al Yagovane of The Friends of Broad Street Park.

New light and installation in the gazebo. Cost of $500.00. Motion to accept by Gary Popielasz, 2nd by Mike Gargano. All in favor.

Purchase 120 light at the cost of $120.00. Motion to accept by Mike Gargano, 2nd by Gary Popielasz. All in favor.

$600.00 for weed killer, which can only go to within 20' of the river. Motion to accept by Gary Popielasz, 2nd by Mike Gargano. All in favor.

$400.00 for flowers. Motion to accept by Gary Popielasz, 2nd by Mike Gargano. All in favor.

The sponsor sign for The Friends of Broad Street Park is currently being made by Petzold's. Approximately $65,000.00 was donated to The Friends of Broad Street Park from DPW and The Seymour Park's Commission with labor / man hours, equipment and other Town of Seymour expenditures.

DPW wants to plant flowers at the town pars entrances and at the Veterans Memorial at French Park.

Approval of Parks Applications

Walnut Hill Community Church requested the use of Chatfield Park and Pavilion on 7/13/17, 7/23/17, 8/6/17, 8/13/17 and 8/27/17. Motion to accept by Gary Popielasz, 2nd by Mike Gargano. All in favor.

Other Business
None.

Public Comment
None
Motion to adjourn at 7:44 by Mike Gargano, 2nd by Gary Popielasz. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Gary Popielasz
Parks Commission Member