

Town of Seymour Parks Commission



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Monthly Meeting - August 22, 2016

Members Present: Bill Paecht, Gary Popielasz, Mike Gargano

Members Absent: Bill Sawicki, Bob Lang

Staff: Robert Koskelowski, Jr., Sean B. Walsh

Guests: Mike Horbal, Alfred R Yagovane, Wendy J Rossi - Friends of Broad Street Park Committee

Meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM by Bill Paecht.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Mike Gargano.

The July 25, 2016 minutes were approved. Motion by Mike Gargano, 2nd Gary Popielasz. All in favor.

Public comment. None.

Public Works Directors Report. Sean reported that they are working on a list of equipment for the parks. They are also working on purchasing new trucks and will start to rotate out the trucks and no buy all new trucks at once, rather buy only 1 or 2 new trucks as the trucks need replaced.

Lawn mowers. Looking to buy a new mowers at a cost of \$18,200 and \$27,000 using carry over funds of \$15,000 from last year. Also put the lawn mowers on a 5 year replacement rotation. The public works will have an equipment replacement report for next month's meeting.

New staffing. Hire laborers. Hire 2 laborers for the cost of 1 skilled worker.

Robert Koskelowski Jr reported that roofing, siding and fascia will need replacing on the rest rooms at Gary Park and Mathies Field and should be paid out of the town buildings account. The rest rooms are all in working order. The locks are in working order and the parks board members will meet with Lance, the

representative from Calvets Safe & Lock to demonstrate lock usage, change of lock programs and to receive the emergency keys.

Bill Paecht recommended that a new sign in / check off list be developed for functions within the town for use of parks and or fields. This is to notify the town departments before the permit will be issued i.e.: Board of Selectmen, Police and Fire departments, Building department, Parks department. Alcohol permits will be approved by the Board of Selectmen.

Friends of Broad Street Park Committee; \$215.00 approval to purchase 2 trees. Motion by Mike Gargano, 2nd Gary Popielasz. All in favor. No discussion. \$177.00 approval for 5 bricks and \$15.00 minimum brick purchase fee. Motion by Gary Popielasz, 2nd Mike Gargano. All in favor. No discussion. Mike Horbal presented a map showing the brick layout at Friends of Broad Street Park. Mike will make a new legend on the map to show the brick names alphabetically for ease of visitors to locate their bricks. He will present it at a future parks meeting. The volunteer list will be finalized by Friends of Broad Street Park Committee and a sign will be made by CT Digital Graphics who will also design the heading along with the Board of Selectman on the back. The permanent rest room proposal at Chatfield Park is on hold and Mike Horbal will present a new map showing the utility easement. Bill Paecht said this will project is on hold indefinitely and to return the grant funding.

Approval of Applications. Seymour Land Trust, by Alex Danka for Fireworks on December 10, 2016 from 12 PM to 9 PM. Mike Gargano, 2nd Gary Popielasz. All in favor.

Other Business. Portable rest rooms at the high school need to be moved and will be done according to Robert Koskelowski Jr. Lights need to be replaced at the lower high school JV field. Robert Koskelowski Jr will check into this and will ask for a PO to purchase the light bulbs and will have them replaced. Gary Popielasz will check with little league baseball as to which town fields will be used for fall baseball so the fields will ready for playing on.

Public Comment. Alfred R Yagovane made a comment regarding that a newspaper report said he was not using and following the Friends of Broad Street Park Committee procedure for purchasing items. This procedure and instructions for purchasing goods and monies received are the Friends of Broad Street Park Committee's approved procedure and the Seymour Parks Board is a separate entity

but only approves their PO's when their PO's are completed correctly. Mike Horbal was in agreement with this.

Adjournment. 7:55 PM. Motion by Gary Popielasz, 2nd, Mike Gargano. All in favor.

Next Seymour Parks Board meeting September 26, 2016 at 7 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Gary Popielasz
Member Seymour Parks Board.