

RECREATION COMMISSION
MINUTES
12-02-2020

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. Present were George Blaisdell, Chairman; John Donahue & Heidi Dyer, members. Also present was Deb Brown, Recreation Director.

Mrs. Brown suggested that there were some 'housekeeping' items that needed to be addressed as she felt this would most likely be the last time members met until after the holidays. She presented documents for needed signatures. There was a review of current and up coming activities. A coloring and essay contest is currently underway as is the Holiday House Lighting Contest. Recreation and the Lions Club will be teaming up to do a drive-by visit with Santa to be held at the rec building.

A discussion was begun regarding tasks needing to be done for the recreation building. Deb has been keeping in touch with John from maintenance and working from a list she put together.

A discussion was begun regarding the need to encumber funds from the 2020 budget because some tasks could not be completed by the end of the year. As previously discussed there is a need for gutters on the building to help prevent water in the basement. The quoted price is up to \$2,277.00. Other encumbrances would be to cover work on the "C" Field at Miller that could not be done prior to the weather turning and snow falling. The contractor simply did not have the manpower to perform the job and will not put equipment on the field when it is 'soggy' so as not to damage the field. Due to Covid, the lower field was not used as it normally would have been during 2020. This resulted in more extensive work than was originally thought. The situation is such that if it is not addressed in the spring the infield will finish returning itself to just a field with no infield and will be at a greater expense to fix.

Mrs. Brown presented a scenario that would result as follows to cover the \$875 that would need to be encumbered to fix the field in the spring:

4520.36.492	Ballfields:	\$543.83	(would have covered 'regular' grooming needs)
4520.36.360	Mowing:	\$ 40.00	(balance remaining for Miller Field)
4520.36.494	Rubbish:	\$291.17	(no 2020 rubbish removal was done at Miller Field)
TOTAL:		\$875.00	

Members present instructed her to present a request to the Board of Selectmen to encumber the funds.

The meeting was adjourned and members then went upstairs to meet with the Budget Committee.

Submitted,

Deb Brown, Taking notes
No recording secretary was available