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MEETING MINUTES

MEETING DATE: January 23rd, 2017

PRESENT:

John Cusolito
Steve Ozahowski, Chairperson
Brad Tilley
Denis Curran
Reggie Maidment
Sean Timmons, Recreation Director

Accept Minutes

Motion – Steve made a motion to accept the minutes from the meetings on 11/21/16, John 2nd – All in Favor 5-0

AGENDA ITEMS DISCUSSED:

1. Pingree Park Playground Update

The Pingree Park playground time line is still set for Labor day. The Hamilton CPC has recommended to give \$25,000 which is contingent on the Wenham CPC also giving an amount. The playground committee has already raised \$30,000 through donations. The playground committee has also reached out to the youth sports organizations in town for donations. A conversation about the Buker school playground ensued amongst the board. Sean informed the Committee that the Hamilton CPC has recommended \$20,000 for that project also contingent upon funds from the Wenham CPC and school fundraising.

2. HS Athletic Complex Update

Sean updated the committee on the status of the High School Athletic Complex project. He stated that Gale presented last week to the school committee and the joint boards. The next step is for the School Committee to take ownership of the project and to form a sub-committee to oversee the work. The sub-committee will make decisions on what in the proposal stays and what goes and what the final cost will be for the project.

3. Open Space Plan

Hamilton's plan for open space is to look at the Patton Estate for areas that would be suitable for kayaking, canoeing and viewing areas. This would allow the ability for application of more grants as well. The Committee is very favorable on the addition of passive and active recreation areas at the estate.

4. Summer/Pool Updates

Sean and Danielle have been working on getting pool brochure put together to be released sometime next week. Pool memberships will have to be purchased at the Rec Office so that they can obtain their membership cards. Hiring of pool staff and camp staff is underway. Sean will contact the local newspaper to do an article on the pool as the summer season approaches. A discussion about scholarships ensued. The decision was to deal with families and individuals on an as needed basis as has been done in years past.

5. New Business

Sean briefly mentioned that the fiscal year 18 budget is in the works and will be available to the committee at the next meeting.

Adjournment – Brad Motion, Denis 2nd All in favor 5-0