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MEETING MINUTES

MEETING DATE: June 4, 2018

PRESENT:

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

Accept Minutes

Denis makes a motion to accept the minutes from 3.19.18 & 4.23.18. Brad 2nd - All in Favor 5-0

AGENDA ITEMS DISCUSSED:

1. Geocaching

Mike Rubin visited the board to share with them about a program called geocaching. Geocaching is an outdoor recreational activity in which participants use a GPS or mobile device to search for containers (geocaches) that are cleverly hidden at locations that are identified only by their GPS coordinates. Mike explained that if he were to hidden geocaches in public places in Hamilton or Wenham it would not generate a lot of activity all at once as people search for these at their own pace. Mike would like to place some geocaches in public place such as the parks in Hamilton or Wenham. The program is not for profit and teaches kids to read maps and compasses. Sean followed up Mike's presentation by adding that this could help our department to design new programming surrounding this geocaching idea.

Steve makes a motion to allow Mike to place geocaches in public areas of Hamilton/Wenham. Denis 2nd – All in Favor 5-0

2. Recreation Center Basketball Rims

Sean briefed the board on the idea that Youth Basketball has to raise money to replace the basketball rims in the rec center gym with ones that are adjustable. The recreation department could potentially contribute a sum of money for the project. The board feels as through the new rims should be placed on the side hoops rather than the main hoops. The board agreed that HWYBB needs to attend our next meeting so that we can gather more information regarding the project.

3. Summer Park Program Update

Sean briefly updated the board on where our summer park program numbers stand to date. He included that the two youngest groups Little Generals and Young Explorers are almost completely full for the entire summer and as result we had made the decision to split the 7 year olds and the 8 year olds into two different groups for this summer.

4. Tennis Courts

Sean presented the Wenham Board of Selectman with the report that was completed on the tennis courts. He also had the USTA come out to assess the courts for our department to potentially apply for a grant to help to redo the courts. Sean will be applying for the grant. The school committee has said that tennis courts at the high school are not in their plans and we now are waiting to hear the thoughts from the Wenham BoS. The board asked Sean if signage could be

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placed at the courts in the meantime so that patrons know they are playing at their own risk. Sean did say that they are looking into putting up some kind of signage for patrons.

5. New Business

Sean will be putting in a CPA request for the Patton Park basketball hoops and to extend the courts back a couple feet behind the hoops for better safety.

Reggie makes a motion to adjourn. Brad 2nd - All in Favor 5-0