

Recreation Board Agenda for 12/9/24

Zoom meeting, 6:30 pm

- Murray Field trash
 - communication with Selectboard / plan
 - Email from John Freitag
 - It didn't work this summer; the trash can was overflowing and on the field
 - A lot of kids use the place
 - Would recommend having regular inspection, keeping a log
 - Minimize risks of liability for safety/health
 - Used to be Recreation Manager and did this work also
 - Proposals:
 - i. Have Josh Potter take this on as a separate job from his responsibilities at Newton School
 - ii. John would be willing to do this also, he is the caretaker at Morrill Homestead and could do something similar, just for the trash can and dog poop receptacle. Thinks he could do it for \$950/year, but Josh could likely do it for less (\$500?).
 - Ed will talk with Lisa about trying to amend to the 2025 budget proposal
 - i. If necessary, could use reserve funds for 2025 and then work on getting it approved for the 2026 budget.
 - Ed will talk with Josh about doing the work and for how much
 - removal of trash container
 - signs
 - Pocket Park doggie-pot
- Port-o-let arrangement with Howe Enterprises - Leslie/Jason
 - We are going to proceed with a 12-month plan, starting in Jan 1
 - Includes weekly servicing during the summer
 - \$150/month
- Strafford 10-Year Capital Plan - Ed:
 - Input from Rec Board & community
 - presentation by Bryan Kovalick from TRORC

- Showed a preliminary capital plan through 2034 with various projects
- Will share with the Rec Board
- Need to then focus on 2025 projects and how to get them funded

- discussion

- AARP Recreational Grant for seniors update - not granted
 - There are 6 grants awarded of \$5K each
 - There were 27 applicants, we just didn't get chosen
 - Keep trying
 - Sonya was going to present at the Lion's Club meeting which was cancelled tonight
 - "Walking in Circles With Seniors" program proposal (Tyson Gym)
 - Would require onsite Lion's Club attendance
 - Sonya was also looking into a Chair Yoga class (10 sessions @ Barrett Hall), need Lion's Club to help with funding
- Open Red Barn dates
 - 12/14 - Ed, maybe Stephen?
 - 12/21 - Leslie
 - Leslie will post on Listserv
- Follow up on plaque/donation for KDidricksen
 - Ed will pick up the plaque from Regina Josler at the Town Clerk's ofc
 - Ed will pick up a \$100 check from Lisa Durstin at Coburn's on the corkboard opposite the office and deliver it to Lisa Bragg to be earmarked for Rec Board - tennis plaque
 - TBD how to deliver it to Karen, Leslie will mail it
 - How much did the plaque cost? (Hilary)
- Other