

Rec Board Minutes 8.14.23

- Pocket Park Report
 - Damages from storm on 7/10
 - Anne made a map to outline damage
 - Step under kisok has been replaced by Lions Club - thank you!
 - Peastone gravel under two existing benches - not urgent
 - Beach erosion - dynamic landscape
 - Wood chips washed away - Lisa Durstin, Rebecca Seibel, Marty Frank and Anne helped refill with wheelbarrows
 - Lost topsoil and mulch
 - Goat manure from McCrae's to transplant - John Freitag will transport
 - Event Reschedule
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 - Volunteer mowers
 - Strafford town mowing machine can access to lower pocket park for mowing - in process asking about the cost and possibility for town to add to Murray field mowing.
 - Plaque
 - In process: "the people of Strafford/ gratefully honor / Barbara & Wally Smith / creators of/ the Pocket Park"
 - Newton Fund - Pergola Status
 - In process, waiting on weather.
 - Other
 - Staging area for piles of woodchips
 - Location: western corner behind bike rack
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 - Backstops need to be relocated
 - Three pieces removed, Ed will bring to metal recycling
 - One working piece remains
 - Split Rail fence
 - Long-term vision for the bank is for shrub willow and other riparian plants to hold bank
 - Fence will distinguish garden proper from wild bank
 - Estimate from corner rail: 1,250. (Split rail with wire mesh attached to it)
 - Would probably fundraise
 - Pocket Park Fund
 - What is the process of spending down the fund?
 - Longterm vision of funds expenditure,
 - Fundraising
 - Calendars
 - Local artists paint different months?
 - Photos from different seasons

- Silkscreen
 - Grants
 - Anne will talk to Stephanie Slayton (town grant writer) about possible grants and report back.
- Red Barn
 - Cleanout developments
 - Christa, Leslie, Ed will meet Monday, Aug 21 @ 11 to clean up
 - Cleaning out the drop inlet behind the Red Barn
 - John Freitag email
 - Ed will reach out to John Freitag.
 - Dedication
 - Approved to spend up to \$200 for metal plaque
 - Christa will follow up

The "Red" Barn (Finn paint)

*This building is named to show our deep gratitude for
David "Red" Taplin
and his commitment to and support of recreation in the town of Strafford.
2023*

- Repair status
 - Looks great! Priming/painting still needs to happen. In process
 - Doors need a center stopper
 - Other
 - Donated equipment - Leslie will follow up with Neil re: umpire equipment.
- Tennis Court Update
 - Repair schedule
 - Pushed due to weather; will be in touch with Ed, need access to spigot
 - Ed will ask for help if/when he needs it
 - Pickleball
 - Rollaway pickleball nets, price range is 170 - 2200
 - Recommend two nets @ 459.95 (Har-Tru PickleNet Deluxe Portable)
 - Ed will ask Karen about recommendations
 - Signage about treatment
 - **Motion approved for Ed to spend up to \$1200 for nets and signage.**
 - Tennis/Pickleball schedule
 - Tabled - working fine as is!
- Murray Field
 - Soccer Target Net - fun!
 - Need more balls on field
 - Disc golf nets/baskets
 - Tabled
- Art Camp
 - 28 kids registered, really nice to be right in town and have this.