

**Killingworth Park and Recreation Commission
Regular Meeting July 11, 2011**

The Killingworth Park and Recreation Commission held a Regular Meeting on Monday, July 11, 2011, at 8:00 PM at the Killingworth Town Office Building, 323 Route 81, Killingworth, Connecticut.

Present: Dan Colonia
Sallyanne Bauer
Rob Grasso
Glenn Johnson
Scot Thomas (arrived late)

Absent: Bill Silas

1. Chairman Dan Colonia called the meeting to order at 8:05 PM.

2. Minutes of: Regular Meeting held June 13, 2011

***A motion was made by Sallyanne Bauer and seconded by Rob Grasso to accept the minutes of the June 13, 2011 meeting as written. Motion passed unanimously.**

3. Visitors present: John Connell, Killingworth Babe Ruth Baseball
Cathy Iino, First Selectwoman

4. Communications, Bills and Applications

a. Communications from other agencies are emailed to the commission as received.

b. The following bills were received:

Bill from Scot Thomas, for soil testing at KRP in the amount of 16.00

***A motion was made by SallyAnne Bauer and seconded by Glenn Johnson to authorize payment of the above bill. Motion passed unanimously.**

bill for water storage tank at Rocco Field in the amount of 460.00

SallyAnne expressed KYL's gratitude and added that the tank was a big help at the tournament recently held at Rocco Field. Discussion followed regarding the size of the tank and SallyAnne stated that KLY may purchase another tank next year.

***A motion was made by SallyAnne Bauer and seconded by Rob Grasso to authorize payment of the water tank bill. Motion passed unanimously.**

bill for specialized playground mulch at Sheldon Field, in the amount of 2050.00

***A motion was made by Rob Grasso and seconded by Glenn Johnson to authorize payment of the above bill. Motion passed unanimously.**

bill from Anthony Carri, for June, the in the amount of 270.00

Dan noted that the gates at Sheldon Field are being opened earlier to accommodate Lori Marriot's early morning classes.

***A motion was made by Glenn Johnson and seconded by Rob Grasso to authorize payment of the above bill. Motion passed unanimously.**

bill from Langer Construction, for mowing Sheldon, Rocco and
Bethke Fields five times each and hardware and installation
of gate the amount of 2146.10

The group noted that Prospect Hill Landscaping is mowing KRP.

***A motion was made by Scot Thomas and seconded by SallyAnne Bauer to authorize payment of the Langer Construction bill. Motion passed unanimously.**

bill from recording secretary Dawn Mooney in the amount of 119.88

***A motion was made by SallyAnne Bauer and seconded by Glenn Johnson to authorize payment of the above bill. Motion passed unanimously.**

bill from Olson Sanitation, for June, for Sheldon and Rocco
in the amount of 146.00

SallyAnne questioned if there was still a port-o-potty at Bethke Field noting it was not included in the bill. The commission will investigate.

***A motion was made by SallyAnne Bauer and seconded by Scot Thomas to authorize payment of the Olson Sanitation bill. Motion passed unanimously.**

bill from All-Ways Dumpsters, for June, for Sheldon, Rocco
and Bethke in the amount of 95.00

Dan noted that the bill contained a small balance that he will refer to Gina. Dan further added that he received a quote of \$40.00 from All-Ways to provide a recycling container at each of the fields. SallyAnne stated that an Eagle Scout project has already provided a recycling container at Rocco Field that KYL bags and donates to the boy scouts. Dan will distribute the proposal to the commission for a vote at the next meeting. Dan then informed the group that he asked All-Ways to pick up the trash on Mondays rather than Tuesdays and All-Ways questioned the volume and type of trash at Rocco noting it seemed like household trash. In depth discussion followed. Dan will request another trash can at Rocco.

***A motion was made by Rob Grasso and seconded by Glenn Johnson to authorize payment of the All-Ways bill. Motion passed unanimously.**

bill from CL&P in the amount of 46.07
second bill from CL&P in the amount of 39.68
third bill from CL&P in the amount of 39.82
fourth bill from CL&P for KRP including pump, in the amount of 120.98

Discussion of alternate power sources and Energy Task Force involvement followed.

***A motion was made by Rob Grasso and seconded by SallyAnne Bauer to authorize payment of the above CL&P bills. Motion passed unanimously.**

bill from Prospect Hill, for three mowings and landscaping services
through mid-June at KRP, in the amount of 1375.00

***A motion was made by SallyAnne Bauer and seconded by Glenn Johnson to authorize payment of the Prospect Hill bill. Motion passed unanimously.**

SallyAnne presented a bill for the pump and fittings to connect the water tank at Rocco Field in the amount of \$681.76 and noted that the bill was already paid. Dan requested that the bill be held until the next meeting. Discussion followed regarding mowing of all

the fields and the most economical way to group and contract the mowings, noting that KRP is still an unknown.

c. The following applications were received.

- Application from KYL for the use of Bethke (from 8/21/11 to 10/30/11), Rocco (from 8/21/11 to 10/30/11), and Sheldon Field from 8/2/11 to 10/29/11, (lower: M/W/F 4:30 to dark and Sat. 9:00am to noon, and upper: Tu/Th/F 4:30 to dark, Sat 9:00am to noon, alternating with HKRec), for fall baseball/softball.

***A motion was made by Rob Grasso and seconded by Glenn Johnson to approve the KYL's application for the use of Bethke and Rocco Fields for fall ball. Motion passed unanimously.**

- Application from HK Rec Dept. for the use of the entire Sheldon Park (Mon.- Fri.4:30pm to dark, Sat 8am to 5pm with Sun as rain date) from 8/22/11 to 11/12/11, for Youth Soccer.
- Application from Killingworth Babe Ruth Baseball for the use of Sheldon Field, from 8/1/11 to 11/1/11, 2 week nights and 1 weekend day for fall baseball.

The group discussed the possibility of limited usage of soccer fields at the KRP this fall and Dan advised he will check with Eric, cautioning against premature usage on new fields. The option of the HKRec's youngest/smallest players using the fields for practice only twice a week was discussed. Last year's field schedule, with approx. 250 players participating, was discussed as a basis for this year's usage. Detailed discussion followed. The commission decided to table the remaining applications until the next meeting and Dan stated he would contact Eric regarding KRP usage.

5. Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Bill Silas was absent. Dan noted that it is the start of the new fiscal year and he will ask Gina to send out the monthly statement for distribution to the commission.

6. Old Business

a. Parks and Field Maintenance –

- Sheldon Field – Rob stated that the backstops, tables and benches are being scraped and painted for community service.

b. Killingworth Recreation Park (KRP) Development

- Phase I - Field Maintenance – maintenance contract is ready to go out to bid and legal counsel has approved it. Standard bid letter was discussed with Cathy Iino, as well as bidding window and advertising. The group estimates bids in the \$15,000 range and would like the contract to remain local. In depth discussion of maintenance and oversight followed, noting the time and effort that Eric Auer has donated. It was noted that the drainage issues have improved.
- Phase II – nothing new to discuss

c. Sheldon Park Re-Design

Glenn stated that Roger Nemerlut has been working diligently and designs should be ready soon. Dan suggested getting everything for distribution to the group to the recording secretary.

7. New Business

The commission discussed the current vacancy, noting that it's been over 60 days and neither party has recommended a replacement. Glenn noted that Killingworth resident and HKLax representative Bill Burley is interested and Dan suggested he send the commission a resume.

Dan discussed changing the park policies to incorporate a tobacco-free initiative. Cathy Iino stated that HK Youth & Family Services had approached her regarding this, and noted that it should probably be included in one of the existing park ordinances. The group discussed policing such a policy and posting signs or including notice in the kiosks. SallyAnne noted that smoking was an issue at a recent soccer tournament.

***A motion was made by Rob Grasso and seconded by Scot Thomas to include a ban on smoking at town parks in an ordinance. Motion passed unanimously.**

Dan also discussed erecting a sign at the KRP, including options for location, signage, mounting and noted he will contact Planning & Zoning for approval. SallyAnne will contact Sign of Our Times in Clinton to discuss.

8. Adjournment

***A motion was made by Rob Grasso and seconded by SallyAnne Bauer to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed unanimously.**

Respectfully submitted,

Dawn R. Mooney
Recording Secretary