

**Killingworth Park and Recreation Commission
Special Meeting March 9, 2015**

The Killingworth Park and Recreation Commission held a Special Meeting on Monday, March 9, 2015, at 8:15 p.m. at the Killingworth Town Office Building, 323 Route 81, Killingworth, Connecticut.

Present: Dan Colonia
Sallyanne Bauer
Bill Burley
Jim Duffield
Rob Grasso
Scot Thomas
Absent: Glenn Johnson

1. Chairman Dan Colonia called the meeting to order at 8:16 p.m.

3. No visitors were present.

4 Communications, Bills and Applications

a. Communications are emailed to group as received. Dan noted that thank you notes were sent to KYL and Kelly Goodhart, USTA, from the Town of Killingworth regarding the Sheldon renovation project. In addition, Dan added that he plans to write a letter to the Killingworth Krier thanking KYL for their involvement. Dan shared an email from Killingworth resident Phil Stull questioning whether a sledding hill and skating pond exist anywhere in the town. Dan explained that there is talk of a future skating pond at Parmelee Farm noting that the existing pond at Sheldon Park is neither safe nor appropriate for ice skating. No park in town has a sledding hill and, further, none of Killingworth's parks are plowed in the winter. Dan suggested to Phil that he bring some suggestions to a future meeting.

b. The following bills were received:

Bill from Eversource, formerly CL&P in the amount of	\$ 44.25
second bill from Eversource, in the amount of	44.25
third bill from Eversource, in the amount of	45.09
bill from recording secretary Dawn R. Mooney for January and February in the amount of	47.65

***A motion was made by Sallyanne Bauer and seconded by Rob Grasso to approve the above bills, as discussed. Motion passed unanimously.**

c. The following applications were received:

- Application from HK Youth Lacrosse for the use of KRP Field #1 and Field #3 and practice area, weeknights 5:00 p.m. to dusk and all day on weekends, from 4/1 to 6/20/15.

Dan noted in the remarks section that KYL must share the fields should another user group come forward with an application.

***A motion was made by Rob Grasso and seconded by Bill Burley approve the above application as amended. Motion passed unanimously.**

- Application from HK Rec for the use of Sheldon Tennis Court #1 from 6/29 to 7/2/15 and 8/3 to 8/7/15 for tennis lessons.
- Application from HK Rec for the use of KRP Field #3 or Field #4, weeknights 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. from 7/7 to 8/4/15, for a summer soccer clinic.

***A motion was made by Bill Burley and seconded by Scot Thomas to approve the above applications, as discussed. Motion passed unanimously.**

- Application from KYL for the use of fields at Sheldon Park 4/1 to 10/31/15, every day of the week.

***A motion was made by Rob Grasso and seconded by Bill Burley approve the above application with the remarks section noting that KYL must share the fields should another user group come forward with an application. Motion passed unanimously.**

- Application from HK Soccer for the use of KRP Field #2 and Field #4 from 3/28 to 6/30/15 with Fridays as the resting day.
- Application from HK Youth Lacrosse for the use of KRP Field #1 and Field #3 and practice area, weeknights 5:00 p.m. to dusk and all day on weekends, from 4/1 to 6/20/15, with Thursdays as the resting day.

***A motion was made by Sallyanne Bauer and seconded by Rob Grasso to approve the above applications. Motion passed unanimously.**

5. Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Sallyanne Bauer summarized that 42% of the annual budget has been expended to date. Discussion followed regarding the commission's proposed new budget and 10-year capital improvement plan.

6. Old Business

a. Parks and Field Maintenance – The Commission scheduled the annual park walk-through for March 28 at 9:00 a.m. beginning at KRP.

- Bethke Field – Ethan reported that someone has vandalized the infield by scattering clay. This will be assessed at the walk-through.
- KRP – nothing discussed
- Sheldon, Rocco and Bethke Parks – Dan explained that he and Glenn met with the following bidding contractors for maintenance at Sheldon, Bethke and Rocco fields: Ethan Drain, Shawn Langer and Peter Wood, adding that Glenn will send minutes to the group.

b. Sheldon Re-Design – The group discussed the electric service noting that Guy Marino will accept one-half of his payment for electrical service work at Sheldon Park now and the other half upon completion (when the snow cover melts.) The group then discussed a new well pump. Dan informed the commission that he is waiting for a formal estimate from Savinelli Well Drilling, explaining that he believes there is money in the maintenance budget to cover the cost which he estimates at approximately \$2000. Scot discussed solar lights noting he expects more information this week and noting it is contingent upon DOT approval. The park's grand opening has been tentatively scheduled for April 25.

7. New Business

Dan informed the group that Donna Clark has volunteered to run a tennis program for “young” children at Sheldon Park. She plans to look to USTA for money for equipment and will attend a future commission meeting with a more specific plan.

The annual Fishing Derby is scheduled for April 4 at Sheldon Park.

8. Adjournment

***A motion was made by Rob Grasso and seconded by Sallyanne Bauer to adjourn the meeting at 9:05 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.**

Respectfully submitted,

Dawn R. Mooney
Recording Secretary

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