

**Killingworth Park and Recreation Commission
Regular Meeting July 13, 2015**

The Killingworth Park and Recreation Commission held a Regular Meeting on Monday, July 13, 2015, at 7:30 p.m. at the Killingworth Town Office Building, 323 Route 81, Killingworth, Connecticut.

- Present: Dan Colonia
Sallyanne Bauer
Glenn Johnson
Jim Duffield
Scot Thomas (arrived at 7:35 p.m.)
- Absent: Rob Grasso
Bill Burley

1. Chairman Dan Colonia called the meeting to order at 7:32 p.m.

2. Minutes of: Regular Meeting on Monday, June 8, 2015

***A motion was made by Sallyanne Bauer and seconded by Glenn Johnson to accept the minutes of the June 8, 2015 Regular Meeting as written. (Scot Thomas was not yet present.) Motion passed.**

3. Visitors: Michael LaRosa, President HK Youth Football Assoc.

4 Communications, Bills and Applications

a. Communications are emailed to group as received.

Dan discussed HK Youth & Family Services' request to hold a family outdoor movie night at Sheldon Park on August 28 from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. Dan noted that Parmelee Farm was HKY&FS' preferred location, but the farm was already booked on that date. The group shared concerns about potential damage to the irrigation heads and lines if trucks are driven on the fields and/or the inflatable screen is pinned to the fields. Glenn noted he would not be concerned if the screen was not placed on the fields. In-depth discussion followed. Dan informed the commission that neighbors of Sheldon Park had complained to the First Selectwoman about the volume of the national anthem and player line-up announcement at a recent daytime tournament game at the park. Dan agreed to contact Kathryn Glendon prior to the commission's next meeting to discuss changing the date to hold the event at Parmelee Farm and if not, options for location of the screen. The event could then be approved at the next meeting if the details are acceptable.

b. The following bills were received:

bill from Olsen Sanitation for June, in the amount of	\$ 396.00
bill from Drainscapes, (#11 of 11) for maintenance at KRP, Rocco and Bethke plus field repair, in the amount of	3607.63
bill from Sweitzer Waste Removal, for 4 locations, in the amount of	178.54
bill from Peter Cumpstone, KRP gatekeeper, for June, in the amount of	270.00

bill from USTA for membership, in the amount of	35.00
bill from Langer Landscapes, for next installment of the maintenance contract as well as repairs to first base line at Bethke Field, weed/feed at Sheldon and 225' hose/sprinkler to water Sheldon areas not covered by the irrigation system, in the amount of	2193.13
bill from Eversource, in the amount of	268.88
second bill from Eversource, in the amount of	44.25
third bill from Eversource, in the amount of	44.25
forth bill from Eversource, in the amount of	267.22
bill for protective netting at Sheldon Park, in the amount of	2600.00

***A motion was made by Glenn Johnson and seconded by Sallyanne Bauer to approve the above bills. Motion passed unanimously.**

c. The following applications were received:

- Application from HK Youth Football Assoc. for the use of Field #1, football practice area, parking lot and storage building at KRP weekdays from 5:00-8:00 p.m., and Saturday mornings from August 3 through November 22 for youth football practices/games.

Dan advised Mike that the fields are presently closed until further notice and cautioned that the August 3 start date may not be feasible. Additionally, he noted that HK Rec's soccer program uses the fields during that same time frame and that application has not yet been submitted. Dan noted that he will contact Robyne who has taken over Frank's position since his retirement at the end of June. Mike acknowledged and further noted that they are not asking for every week night, citing last year's Monday/Friday night arrangement was fine. The group agreed to hold off approval until the park's reopening date has been set and Mike agreed to email Dan at the start of August. Dan informed Mike of the location of the portable AED in the event of an emergency. The group also discussed painting the football shed the same color as the other shed and Mike agreed to have HKYFA do so.

5. Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Sallyanne Bauer summarized that approximately 69% of the annual budget had been expended by the beginning of this meeting. She further noted that there is sufficient money remaining in the 2014-2015 budget to pay the bills from that time period that were approved earlier in the meeting.

6. Parks and Field Maintenance –

- Bethke Field – discussed with the Langer bill.
- KRP – The group noted that the closure signs were moved from Sheldon to KRP, the fields are closed and repairs are currently under way with Eric Auer and Ethan Drain coordinating their efforts. Scot shared quotes from Chris Plum of Arbor Gardens to weed beds (\$300), mulch 30 trees (\$500) and replace 2 dead trees (\$500) in the parking area. Dan agreed to discuss the proposal with Eric. Dan also informed the group that Peter Cumpstone has offered at a reduced rate to cut up approximately 11 downed trees in the woods surrounding the fields that pose a safety hazard.

***A motion was made by Jim Duffield and seconded by Scot Thomas to authorize up to \$500 for Peter Cumpstone to cut up approximately 11 downed trees in the woods surrounding the fields at KRP. Motion passed unanimously.**

- Sheldon Park– Glenn noted that Charlie Rickert will complete the fencing work this week. The group also discussed the blinking solar lights and questioned whether they both receive adequate sunlight for power. Scot is dealing with his new contact for prices.
- Rocco Field – Dan suggested that the fence at Rocco Field looks old and could be painted as a community service project. Sallyanne agreed to discuss the project with Rob Grasso to put together a group of baseball players to volunteer for the project. Dan also noted that the water tanks will need to be filled.

7. New Business

Dan informed the group that both Rob and Sallyanne have expressed their intention to step away from the commission in the near future. He thanked Sallyanne for her years servicing the town and noted that she agreed not to resign until a replacement has been found. Dan further explained that much of Rob's time is now filled with his HKHS football coaching position. He asked the remaining members to look for interested community members as possible replacements.

8. Adjournment

***A motion was made by Glenn Johnson and seconded by Sallyanne Bauer to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.**

Respectfully submitted,

Dawn R. Mooney
Recording Secretary