

**Killingworth Park and Recreation Commission  
Regular Meeting February 6, 2017**

The Killingworth Park and Recreation Commission held a Regular Meeting on Monday, February 6, 2017, at 7:30 p.m. at the Killingworth Town Office Building, 323 Route 81, Killingworth, Connecticut.

Present: Dan Colonia  
Donna Clark  
Glenn Johnson  
Brian Blair  
Jim Duffield  
Bill Burley (arrived at 7:36)  
Scot Thomas (arrived at 7:36)

1. Chairman Dan Colonia called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

2. Minutes of: Regular Meeting on Monday, January 9, 2017

**\*A motion was made by Glenn Johnson and seconded by Donna Clark to accept the minutes of the January 9, 2017 Regular Meeting. Motion passed.**

3. Visitors present: Dan Glynn, KYL  
Brandy Richards, KWO

Dan Glynn submitted KYL's usage application for Spring, 2017. He noted that the Guilford AAU team has been very helpful working at Rocco Field and their field usage needs have been incorporated in KYL's application. Dan added that KYL has started a travel program in the East Shore Travel League making the fields even busier. Dan Colonia requested the Guilford AAU team's insurance documentation be submitted as soon as possible, and discussion of AAU leagues' insurance followed.

**\*A motion was made by Glenn Johnson and seconded by Jim Duffield to approve KYL's application for the use of Killingworth's baseball/software fields. Motion passed unanimously.**

Dan Glynn also shared KYL's plan to build 2 press boxes, pending P & Z's approval, behind the baseball fields noting the softball field already has an acceptable structure. He explained that KYL received high praise from the league for the tournaments they hosted and expressed his hope to host additional tournaments this season. In-depth discussion followed regarding proposal to have Langer Landscaping install sod, new equipment for grooming fields and repainting the old fencing versus replacing with PVC-coated fencing at Rocco. The group also discussed the pizza advertisement signs at Sheldon and Dan agreed to remove them quickly since they were approved on a temporary basis only.

Brandy Richards explained that the Killingworth Women's Organization has planned an Italian Dinner fundraiser at June's Outback Pub on March 30 to raise money for playground equipment at Sheldon Park. She added that a raffle will be held at the dinner to raise more money

and clarified that the KWO will use money raised to purchase a piece of equipment rather than donating the money to the Town's General Fund. She also presented posters to the commission to display at will. Dan suggested that all user groups sell tickets. The group then discussed equipment options and Brandy noted that the owner of Trassig expressed an interest in providing equipment at a reduced price. It was agreed that the KWO will consult with the commission to select the specific piece of equipment to be donated and try to coordinate installation with the Lions Club.

#### 4. Communications, Bills and Applications

a. Communications are emailed to group as received.

b. The following bills were received:

bill from Dawn Rees Mooney, for Dec. and Jan., in the amount of	56.21
bill from Anthony Carri, Sheldon gatekeeper for Jan., in the amount of	260.00
bill from Common Cents EMS Supply for defibrillator maintenance, in the amount of	215.70
bill from Peter Cumpstone, KRP gatekeeper for Jan., in the amount of	30.00
bill from Eversource, in the amount of	44.77
second bill from Eversource, in the amount of	150.44
third bill from Eversource, in the amount of	46.11
fourth bill from Eversource, in the amount of	44.94
bill from Kompan for 1/2 of cost + installation of the basket swing at Sheldon Park, in the amount of	3,512.87

Dan stated that the basket swing was installed at Sheldon Park and that the first ½ of the bill was already paid. He also noted the need for additional "engineered" wood chips and explained he will order them in March. He added that the borders will be installed after the Lions Club has finished their installation. The group also discussed the defibrillator service at length and questioned the large Eversource bill.

**\*A motion was made by Glenn Johnson and seconded by Bill Burley to approve payment of the above bills, pending investigation of the \$150.44 Eversource bill. Motion passed unanimously.**

c. The following applications were received:

- Application from KYL was discussed and approved earlier in meeting.
- Application from HK Soccer Club for the use of KRP Field #2 and Field #4 from 3/25 to 8/31/17.

Dan noted that the parks open on April 1 and adjusted the HK Soccer Club application accordingly. Discussion followed regarding HK Lacrosse's needs. It was noted that HK Soccer's application requested

**\*A motion was made by Glenn Johnson and seconded by Scot Thomas to approve HK Soccer Club's application for the use of KRP Fields #2 and #4, noting the starting date was changed from 3/25 to 4/1. Motion passed unanimously.**

#### 5. Treasurer's Report

Donna explained that approximately \$41,000 of the annual budget remains unspent to date.

6. Old Business

a. Parks and Field Maintenance –

- Dan noted that the parks are closed and nothing was discussed

b. Sheldon Park Playground – nothing was discussed.

c. Sheldon Walking Trails – nothing was discussed.

7. New Business

Dan informed the group that he met with Summer Berube of Kompan to provide a potential playground design by the end of February for KRP with a budget of \$65,000, noting \$40,000 in existing funding and \$25,000 in requested funds. Dan explained that he needs a design to take to the BOS and BOF to secure funding. He requested a basket swing be included in the design with any additional equipment she recommends, as well as the reasons each piece is included in the design. He also advised Summer that he wants to avoid “themed” equipment as that usually makes the piece more costly.

The group also discussed the blinking lights noting a grant update is needed from First Selectman Cathy Iino to proceed. Adult fitness equipment at Sheldon Park was also a topic of conversation. Dan advised the group that the equipment could be installed in two ways: either individual pieces along a walkway or trail, or co-located at one specific location (which tends to be used more frequently.)

8. Adjournment

**\*A motion was made by Jim Duffield and seconded by Brian Blair to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.**

Respectfully submitted,

Dawn Rees Mooney  
Recording Secretary