

New Boston Recreation

Subject: Commissioners' Meeting

Date: 5/30/06

Location: White Buildings

Attendees:

Commissioners: Lee Brown, David Hulick, Tom Joseph*, Kristine Gagnon*, Ken Hamel

Staff: Mike Sindoni, Mary Barone

Guests: None

* = *absent*

Discussion, *Motions* & *Action Items*:

- What should we do about the White Buildings since it will be 5-6 years before the multi-use building can be started? Options: Basic safety improvements or more extensive renovations. Heating system is marginal.
- Insurance: Independent contractors need to provide a certificate of insurance, which is consistent with town policy. The required coverage is \$1 million.
- Practice field: Heavy rains caused a washout at the transfer station. The town is looking for state or FEMA funding. A retaining basin might be required where we want to put parking. GZA's design might not be completed until August.
- Forestry Committee: Removal of trees from around the ballfield, the practice field and the Lydia Dodge lot was going to result in lumber for the grandstand. The Dodge lot clearing is in question. There are concerns about collateral damage and the landing. A 3rd party will look at it later this week. Dave Ealy is working on the grandstand project.
- The transfer station will let us tap into their well for the memorial area. The water would feed into a cistern. The water is not potable.
- Summer Program: 213 registered so far. Below last year. Cut one counselor. Down to a staff of 4. Kids have many alternative camp offerings. We are seen as a daycare alternative. What do other towns offer? Do other towns offer a summer program? What do they charge? How many kids participate? What is that relative to the town population? What is the trend? What programming is offered? Send out a mailing in the winter advertising the planned programming.
- Scholarships: \$1000 & \$500 given last year. Repeat this year.
- Virtual Town Hall training will take place on Friday. Town will vote for credit card transactions next March. Could we host another organization on this site? Or could we set up links?
- Next meeting: 7:30 on Tuesday, June 20.

David Hulick, Secretary