

PARKS COMMISSIONERS
MASON LIBRARY
231 MAIN STREET
GREAT BARRINGTON, MA 01230
MONDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2015
5:00 P.M.

PRESENT:
PAUL GIBBONS
THOMAS NORTON
STEPHEN BANNON

NO QUORUM

1) **APPROVAL OF MINUTES.**

A. Minutes of November 9, 2015 – no vote – no quorum – next meeting.

2) **PARKS USAGE REQUESTS:**

A. Berkshire International Film Festival for permission to use the Town Hall Park on Wednesday, June 1, 2016 from 8:00 a.m. through 5:00 p.m. on Monday, June 6, 2016. Lauren Ferin from BIFF was present. She noted they are also requesting to erect a tent. The application and certificate of insurance for liability were in order.

A vote will be taken at the January meeting because of lack of quorum.

3. **PARKS CARE AND MAINTENANCE:**

A. Updates from Joe Sokul – DPW Superintendent – Picnic tables etc. are being repaired. Joe noted there have been personnel changes within the DPW. The seasonal staff position is included in the FY17 budget.

Change in FY 17 Parks Budget – reflects \$25,000 for improvements to Memorial Field and \$25,000 for a feasibility study for public bathrooms at the Town Hall Park. \$5,000 for the playground equipment at Housatonic has been complete. There is \$10,000 for equipment at Olympian Meadows and Giggles Park and \$10,000 for improvements at the skate park in the FY 16 budget. We are still working off the purchase order to get the bowl fixed. \$5,000 is for an Accessibility Study for Memorial Field. It was noted that 3 quotes would be sufficient.

Next agenda – Capital Improvements for FY16.

Someone on Warren Avenue built out their driveway that goes to the right of way to the treatment plant so they are getting a letter.

Fencing Old Maids – Split rail fence put back per agreement with the owner.

Next Agenda – Fence quote from All American Fence – Girls Softball field at Olympian Meadows and Little League field. The total is \$6,000.

Weed Fabric Purchase – Paul said he e-mailed the vendor and requested an invoice for the pre-payment of \$2,000. The cost is \$4,000 for everything. \$2,000 is to purchase the weed fabric to sew it together. No P.O. has been issued.

Next meeting – Memorial Field Gate Lock and amendment to park facility form.

The meeting ended at 6:00 p.m.

Carolyn Wichmann
Recording Secretary