

Open Space & Recreation
April 11, 2018 Monthly Meeting
Town Hall Banquet Hall Room

Meeting called to order by Chair Stev McDonough at 6:34 pm.

Attendees: Dennis Visconti, Maura Campbell, David Goodberg, James Sarno, Stev McDonough, Cathy Richardson, Steve Sylvester, Cindy Hemenway, Aldo Ursino, Tom Younger
Absent members: Therese DiBlasi, John Bracchiotti,

Minutes from March meeting approved

Tom Younger

- OSR has broad impact in town from ages 8-80
- Advice to Steve A – be progressive
- Recreation, parks, fields make communities livable

Recreation – Steve A

- Ultimate Frisbee in June @ HS
- Mtg w Colonial Park 4th grade grad program
 - Planning field day for all schools – help dev friendships prior to middle
- Plan to work closely w schools
- Working w community dev coordinator on dog park location
 - Have a location – close to entrance of Central Middle School, Capen St, beside Greenway
 - Town owned land, has trees, centrally located, ~ 15K sq ft
 - In contact w Stanton Foundation, Burlington Rec
 - Must be approved 1st time, so need buy-in from all groups
 - Will need help frm OSR for fundraising – Stanton pays 90%
 - Will need to check any deed restriction
 - Need to determine ongoing costs, DPW will own maintenance
 - Don't need to create 501c, can create "Friends of" for ongoing fundraising
 - Need approval from BOS
 - Abutters (within 300 ft) will get notice to attend meeting to discuss concerns
- Motion made by Steve Sylvester:
 - Move to try to get Capen St area repurposed for dog park. OSR will work w Steve & rec dept & Stanton foundation to secure funding
 - Motion seconded by Maura Campbell
 - Motion passed unanimously

- Good representation at Health & wellness fair on Sat
- OSR will be called on to help at upcoming events

Arena Update

- Ice is melted!
- Oversight is from engineering firm
- Advertising
 - Looking at pricing for signs, have pricing, have interested businesses lined up
 - 16 spots for signs -metal signs - ~ \$300
 - Ice logos – will be there for 3 years, prep fee ~\$300. Maybe 2k/yr
 - Zamboni – could advertise on sides
 - Need to finalize pricing – further mtg to discuss
 - Want to sell by June to coincide w fiscal year
 - Need a one-page contract for advertisers
 - Can also look at vinyl railing banners, ticket booth
 - Funds – using MUNIS, goes to General Fund, w/b line item
- Scheduling software
 - Software designed specifically for rinks/fields
 - Will get more info
- Yellow paint around border
 - Has MIAA weighed in? Need to determine
 - Mass hockey – optional recommendation

Golf

- New manager in place
- H20 – ready to go
- Opening as soon as possible
- Looking at fees

Open Space Plan

- OSR should review plan, look at priorities
- Town Meeting - Capital article has 25K for company to assess all fields/playgrounds – we can then prioritize our efforts
- Also can use this documentation for grants

Stoneham is a certified green community

- Looking at cost to install electric charging station

New Business

- Town Moderator looking for committee reports for Town Mtg, due 4/19, can cull from previous meeting minutes
- Aldo's last meeting – Thank you Aldo

Meeting Adjourned at 8:00pm