

Open Space & Recreation
August 14, 2019 Monthly Meeting

Attendees: Stev McDonough, Cathy Richardson, David Goodberg, Steve Sylvester, Therese DiBlasi, Dennis Visconti

Absent members: Maura Campbell, James Sarno, Jack Bracchiotti,

Meeting called to order 6:45pm

Agenda

- Approval of Minutes
 - Motion made to accept as written
 - Approved
- Golf
 - Kevin & Jay provided report - attached below
 - 3 years in w Sterling
 - New carts, interior improvements
 - Fixed irrigation system – completed 2017
 - 2016 good revenue, great weather
 - POS system fully implemented, effectively managing cash
 - Higher lease pymt to town
 - 2017 – bad weather in spring
 - 2018 revenue also dropped – weather, projects, etc. good feedback on improvements, capital improvements made on course, bunkers
 - 2019 revenue is up, will exceed 2016 revenue
 - Didn't get all capital funding required, will resubmit this year
 - Need to continue improvements to maintain progress
 - Lease payments exceed capital request
 - Jay
 - Youth program
 - Tee sheet optimization – work w booking engines
 - Good word of mouth reference
 - Youth on Course
 - Discounted for youth
 - Will connect Steve A w Jay
- Recreation Dept. – Steve Angelo
 - Golf Intro programs selling out
 - Field Permit review
 - Applications will collect more info

- Now have special event application
- Large increase in requests for usage of town common
 - Want to determine appropriate usage/what events should be held elsewhere
- OSR will review handbook and provide feedback
- Goal to protect town/resources
 - Stoneham 300th anniversary is in 5 years
 - Possibly get a subcommittee for events
- Playground Renovation
 - Working on drainage issues w DPW at Steele
 - Site visit w State on Monday
- Stoneham Arena
 - Summary Report attached
- Dog Park
 - Other towns - 501C in place prior to process starting
 - Wilmington – Rec Dept paid for, full time animal control officer oversees
 - Chelmsford – Private funds
 - Woburn – used Stanton Foundation
 - Cassidy Landscaping does landscaping, can talk to them about process, get general idea of cost.
- Old Business
 - none
- New Business
 - none

Next meeting 9/11/19 Town Hall Conf Room

Meeting adjourned 8:00 pm



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Arena Update Aug
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