

AVON PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION

TOWN OF AVON

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COMMISSIONERS: Barbara Littlefield, Chairwoman
Kathy McDonald, Vice-Chairwoman
Matthew Doucet, Glenn Fernald, Michael Lawler

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Avon Park and Recreation met at 7:00 with members Barbara Littlefield, Kathy McDonald, Glenn Fernald, Mike Lawler and Matt Doucet present.

Kathy motioned to wave the reading of the April 3rd, April 24th, May 1st, May 15th, and June 5th minutes and to accept them as recorded, Matt 2nd the motion.

ACES

The Commission met with Amanda Decker, Mark Talbot and Paul Zinni at 7:30. Amanda prepared a presentation for the board about a Brockton Community Health Area grant of \$50,000.00 that we may qualify for. There are smaller grants that also may be available. Amanda and her group made an assessment of hot areas throughout the town where youth seem to congregate. The grant could be used to hook cameras up in these areas such as the Miller Tracy playground, the tennis courts. Another possibility would be motion detectors. Amanda and Mark are willing to write up an application for the grant but before doing so they wanted to make sure PR was on board. Preparing the grant is a lot of work which Amanda would be donating her time for. The grant is due the end of this month. The fiscal agent on the grant would be the Avon School Department. The money would be dedicated to the projects discussed. This would have to be a joint effort between the Park and Rec Commission, Avon School system and the Avon Police department. The board is definitely very interested. Amanda will proceed with the application and forward the finished copy to all the Commissioners via email for their review.

SUMMER PROGRAM

The Commission reviewed Nicholas Zinni's application to be a SP councilor. Barbara checked with the Selectmen and they ok'd our going forward with hiring him. Nicholas will need to get his Cori form turned in asap, as well as his physical.

The Commission will invite Kristin and all the counselors to our July 10th meeting to review how the first week of the program went.

Carol will send an email to Mike McCue to request an increase of the SP petty cash from \$200.00 to \$400.00. The increase is needed because the children will be offered more activities and snacks during the park days. The registration fee was raised to \$80.00 this year to allow for these extra expenses.

The Commission discussed whether or not we should have a counselor walk children home each day across Harrison Blvd. Matt motioned that we not allow the counselors to walk children home each day, Kathy 2nd the motion with all members in favor.

Carol will notify Kristin of this. She will also ask Kristin to make charges to any remaining SP signup packets, we can't refer to the program at any time as a camp. This is per the Board of Health.

A CPR course has been setup with Bob Pillarella for July 2nd from 8:30 to 2:00. This class is for Kristin and the 7 counselors and will be held at the Civic Center. The JR counselors can get a First Aid course through Frank Curry.

FIELDS/PLAYGROUNDS

Kathy will call Ron Zimmermann to drag Noonan field.

A field permit was issued to Royal Rooters to use Noonan field on Saturdays and Sundays. Carol will email Mike McCue to request that the hwy dept mow Noonan on Thursdays or Fridays. The Commission decided to keep Noonan field unlocked for the summer.

It was noted that we will need to contact On Deck Sports for a new estimate for the netting for the backstop at Noonan field. We will need to get 3 estimates in total.