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Building.

Because the building is not complete, it was moved and passed that the Baseball Program will have free use of the building for this one season.

In terms of finishing the building, the first order of business is getting the plumbing and wiring done, Justin Carey reports. Justin hopes to pull all the electrical together soon. We should be able to afford the electrical. Plumbing and electrical should all be up and running this spring.

Fields and Maintenance

Garry George will turn on the water to the fields.

The Town will put the Field Maintenance out to bid.

The parking lot certainly needs grading. Howard George feels that the gravel should be brought right up near to the rail trail. We want to get the parking lot to the point where it really looks good!

Baseball wants to get an electric scoreboard with the necessary wiring. Coca-Cola will pay half of the costs and baseball will pay the rest. Baseball will cover all costs.

U13 baseball fields are now about half-way between the size of a Little

League field and a high school field, and we will, of course, comply with fields that can be used for either size. Mounds need to move from 46' to 50' and base paths from 60' to 70'.

Major work on the field needs to be done in the fall.

May 20

Condensed from approved minutes

Present were committee members: Tom Frantz, Ellie George, Howard George, Alan Hanscom, Tim Norris, Brian Reynolds, and new member Heidi Murphy

Hockey Rink: Denberg Garage will be used to house the new (to us) snowblower. It was agreed that this snowblower should be thoroughly checked out before the season begins.

There is a recurring problem with erratic power to the lights. It was suggested that Masse Electric out of Penacook be hired to resolve the issue once and for all.

Playground: Some of the playground elements need to be fixed ASAP.

Soccer: Heidi Murphy has agreed to take over the soccer program from Nicole Donovan, who did a great job for three years. We are delighted to welcome Heidi as a new member of the Andover Recreation Committee. Nicole

has kindly agreed to work with Heidi through the summer to assure a smooth transition for this important program.

Alan Hanscom reports that the lines need to be renewed about every five days or the original lines will be lost. Alan will help.

There was interest in having a kindergarten soccer program. It was suggested that an informal program on Sundays would fit best into the busy soccer week.

Once the Soccer League declares its closing dates, people must sign up within that period. Fees: June sign-up: first child in a family is \$30, second is \$25, \$10 each after that. July sign-up: first child in a family is \$35, second is \$30, \$10 each after that. The same price structure will apply to basketball.

Swimming: Matt Doyle of Salisbury is our swimming instructor this summer. He has signed up for July 7 through 10 and July 14 through 17.

Salisbury fees: first child in a family is \$35, second is \$30, \$10 each after that, which includes a free beach permit. Andover fees will be \$30, \$25, and \$10.

Skiing: Sue Norris and Jen Hauser are slated to take over the skiing program next winter. Our thanks to Ellie George for doing a great job for a long time on this vital program.

Recreation Building: The Rec Committee would like to see electricity in the building this summer, but we also feel that it is not necessary to have water in the building until next year.

Fields and Maintenance: Irrigation for the field will be done by George Sports Irrigation, which made the low bid in competition with Greenleaf Irrigation. We will solicit bids again next year for a two-year period.

Field treatment includes insect and weed abatement on the field. The Boston Company has been doing a great job with the field treatment for 12 years and will continue to take care of it.

Field maintenance includes aeration two times and fertilization three times and general field cleanup. It also includes cutting the grass to 2.5 inches.

During the baseball season, the infield is usually cut a bit shorter than 2.5 inches. The field treatment contract should be put out to bid soon.

Baseball: We discussed the implications of U13 "majors" team with its new field size. Mounds need to move from 46' to 50', and base paths from 60' to 70'.

There is concern that the new infield will encroach on the soccer goal area. Justin Carey reports that we will need to start improvements this fall to be ready for the 2015 season.

The next meeting will take place at AE/MS on Tuesday, June 10, at 7 PM.

School Board

May 20

Condensed from approved minutes

Kent Armstrong and Betsy Paine were sworn in to their respective offices as School Board Member and Moderator prior to the start of the meeting.

Board Present: Michelle Dudek, Don Gould, Charlie McCrave, and Kent Armstrong

Administration Present: Mike Martin, Christine Barry, Robin Heins, Kathleen Boucher, Jane Slayton, and Judith Turk

Public Present: Tina Cotton, Mark MacLean

Financial Report: It was requested that a maintenance needs list is provided at June's meeting when the projected fund balance is given.

Board Chairperson's Report: Michelle thanked all who participated in Saturday morning's facility study session with the architectural firms.

Public Participation: Mark MacLean stated that he was happy to be present at this evening's meeting.

Good News: Chris stated that the Merrimack Valley High School received a favorable report from the New England Association of Schools and Colleges. Also, New Hampshire Education Commissioner Barry has approved June 20 as the last day of school for Andover students. This was in response to the waiver request regarding snow days.

Old Business

Facilities Study: The Board and See School Board on page 13

Andover School Board Vacancy

The Andover School District School Board is looking for an Andover citizen to fill a vacant board seat. The term of the appointment will be until the March 2015 election at which time the seat will be filled by regular election by the voters of the Andover School District. The right candidate must be child centered, civic minded and be able to commit substantial time to the District. The Andover School Board meets the first Tuesday night of every month (with some exceptions) and also has as needed work sessions. Interested Andover residents should be prepared to attend meetings at least twice per month for the term of this appointment.

If you are interested in filling this position, please contact Michelle Dudek, Board Chairperson, at DudekMichelle@gmail.com. The board hopes to fill this vacancy over the summer.

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