

JUPD Minutes 3-2-16

Board Members Present: Livy Strong, Marie Lynch, Andrew French, Carol Smith, Marcy Gibson
Board Member Absent: Jim Massingham, Judie Jones

Meeting started at 7 P.M.

Minutes accepted with spelling corrected

Financial Report - There is \$25,351.85 in the checking account, \$15,055.27 in the Power account and \$1,389.87 in the CD for a total of \$41,796.99. Marcy received a letter from Green Mountain Power about a rate restructure and our rates should go down by 4%.

Park Management

Elm Trees - The elms need to be aggressively pruned. We will wait until spring and have Creative Landscaping come out and prune the elms. When we have more information we can consider replacing them.

Trail Consultant - Josh Ryan, a trail consultant, is highly recommended and Livy will follow up with him. We will invite him to our next meeting. The board approved \$3000 for his services.

Fieldstone East - Marie reported that the trail really doesn't look good. This is after spending \$18,000 on the trail.

Mowing Bid Language-We will insert language that the contract is for two years and that if we don't like who we hire, or if he doesn't like us, there would need to be 30 days notice. We need to have the mowing bid to the Mountain Gazette by March 10 if we want it to be in the March 17 paper. We also might put the bid in Seven Days. Bids need to be in by April 20 so we can check references, make our decision May 4 and notify whoever got the contract on May 5. In the future we will start this process earlier.

Town Meetings - The booths went well with a lot of surveys filled out and with no questions about the budget. 268 surveys have been filled out both online and at the town meetings. The complete results from Survey Monkey will cost \$26 per month and we plan to pay for about 2 months. We can also have the surveys at the summer concerts and perhaps pay Survey Monkey for another month at that time. We briefly talked about a sign up sheet at concerts to collect email addresses.

Events - We discussed the sports schedule and security deposits for multi date reservations and decided to try getting a deposit of \$150 from sports teams first, then putting them on the calendar, then having them pay the balance. The full amount would be due two weeks prior to activities starting and if not then paid in full, the deposit would be forfeit. This is a trial and we would change it back if there were problems. The forms would have to be redone to accommodate these multi date reservations. We discussed Joe Gay and his suggestions for the football team and decided the best choice for all would be for him to look for a different location.

Dog Memorial - Paul Noel indicated the a possible location and size for memorial area and we are approving their suggestion.

One Way Sign - The one way sign at the park entrance was hit and now we need a new pole. Livy emailed Neil, putting in the pole when the ground is softer and she will let us know if Neil can do it. The board approved Livy ordering a new pole.

Management Plan Update - we will wait for both survey results and results from the trail consultant at which time we will have more information. At that time we work on the Management Plan Update.

Meeting adjourned at 8:25

