

**Bristol Parks & Recreation
Ellingwood Information Center
February 6, 2018**

Commissioners present: Clyde Pendleton, Laurie Mahan, Sandra Lane

Also present: Lara Sargent, Todd Richards, Russ Lane

Meeting called to order at 6:06 P.M. with the Pledge of Allegiance

Minutes:

Mahan made a motion to approve the minutes from January 16th, Pendleton seconded and motion carried.

Motion made by Lane to approve the minutes from January 25th, Mahan seconded and motion carried.

Triathlon:

Todd Richards presented a list of Triathlon responsibilities for the Parks Commission to review and consider. He will attend a future meeting to discuss the list and other Triathlon planning.

Roof bids:

Sargent presented the roofing bids for Lighthouse Park. The Commissioners discussed and decided to check online reviews for the companies to take into consideration with the cost amounts before making any final decisions.

Fishway attraction:

The Commission discussed the fishway repair/replacement and the idea of creating an attraction. The fishway at Damariscotta Mills has proven to be effective and a beautiful place to visit. The Commissioners liked the idea of making the fishway an attraction with a walkway/footpath that would be educational. Sargent will research available grants for a similar plan and talk with the Town Administrator about the land on the other side of the dam to see what the town owns.

Safety Grant:

Russ Lane presented some ideas for safety precautions at Lighthouse Park. Sargent is working on a safety grant that will include defibrillators for three parks and a warning system for the dangers of walking on the rocks at the Lighthouse. Lane brought a slide show presentation that was very informative about options for types of security cameras that could be used for storm surveillance and to monitor the activity on the rocks. Sargent will use the information provided for the grant.

Healthy Beaches:

Sargent presented an email from the Healthy Beaches organization regarding contacts and the renewal for 2018. Lane and Sargent will attend the regional meeting in Camden on March 7 to finalize the renewal.

Open Gym Nights:

The Parks Commission will host open gym nights from 6-8pm at Bristol Consolidated School again this year. Once dates are decided at the next meeting, Sargent will post on the town website and digital sign and issue a press release.

Hot water heater:

The hot water heater at Ellingwood no longer works. It was previously used when donated to the parks.

Pendleton made a motion to purchase a new twenty-gallon hot water heater, Lane seconded, motion carried.

Suncatchers:

The Parks Commission received a quote for Pemaquid Point suncatchers to be sold in the parks. The group decided to think about it and will make a final decision at a future meeting.

Public Comments:

Pendleton made a motion to end the meeting at 8:01, Mahan seconded and motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:01 p.m.