

Sterling Recreation Department
1 Park Street, Sterling, MA 01564
Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, September 16, 2014 - 1835 Town Hall- meeting started 7:10 pm

Present: Kristen Dietl, Bob Finizio, Heidi Grady, Jo-ann Cummings, Kristen Nelson, Mike Regan & Mark Hryniewicz

Not Present:

Review Minutes:

- Review minutes from last meeting– Heidi made a motion to approve, Mike 2nd – all approved

Finance Report:

- Kristen made a motion to approve, Heidi 2nd – all approved

Old Business Reviewed:

- Sterling Playarea.-Safety inspection of equipment, repairs & replacement list
 - Kristen & Judy met with Margie Salt from Berliner to discuss replacement parts, maintenance plans etc. Kristen Dietl will order pieces
 - Chris Giard will cut down signs, level with concrete, and put them in more appropriate space. May have to address in the future if concrete comes through mulch

Announcements:

- Recreation happenings
 - Scarecrow Contest – opens October 1st, scarecrows must be up by October 18th – people should put them up themselves – committee will vote Sunday
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Kristen Dietl removed herself from the meeting while we met to discuss Recreation Director position.

Discuss and vote on applicants for Director's position:

- Discussed 3 viable candidates:
 - Kayla McNamara – she chose not to continue in process due to salary – wanted \$55,000 to start
 - Jody Mello – she chose not to continue in process due to salary – wanted \$60,000 to start
 - Kristen Dietl
- Recommendation for Director position
 - Discuss qualifications of applicable Director position candidates
 - Committee voted to offer Kristen Dietl Director position at 35 hours/week. Jo-ann will contact candidate and offer position. We will wait to see what candidate says before moving forward with vote on salary.
 - Committee feels confident in her abilities as she knows position, has great relationships in town and understands the recreation department philosophy. She has great ideas and is forward thinking regarding the use of on-line registrations and ways to improve attendance and participation in our activities. – Kristen Nelson made a motion to approve Kristen as Director, Mark 2nd – all approved.
- Discuss ideas for Program Assistant
 - Will not have funding this year to keep part time assistant for program.
 - Will include in next year's budget requests.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:50pm