

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

Tuesday December 16, 2015 – 1835 Town Hall – meeting called to order at 7:15 pm

Present: Jo-Ann Cummings, Kristen Dietel, Heidi Grady, Maureen Cathcart, Andy Parker, Mark Hryniewicz

Review Minutes:

- Could not vote to approve minutes from September 14, 2015 because members not present.
- Reviewed minutes from October 20 meeting- Heidi made a motion to approve, Jo-Ann 2nd – all approved

Finance Report:

- Jo-Ann made a motion to approve, Andy 2nd – all approved.
- Kristen explained budget worksheet to new board members.
- Discussed FY2016 budget proposal.

Open Meeting Laws & Robert's Rules:

- Kristen presented copies of both for review by all members. She asked that each member read and review the Open Meeting Laws and Robert's Rules.

Basketball:

- There are currently 213 players and 27 teams.
- Discussed issues with the low numbers of girls and teams to play on, and with.
- Discussed issues with 11th & 12th grade boys and the need for them to be inclusive of 9th & 10th grade boys for consistency and allowing the program to continue as the older boys move on.

Fields and Property Upgrades update:

- Andy questioned why all the lights were on at the Griffin Rd. complex at night when all the fields were not in use. Kristen will investigate.
- Tennis courts and track will likely need repairs this spring.
- Maureen shared her findings on the fitness trail. She explained project she is working on with Judy Janda to identify needs/wishes at Recreation properties and working with Eagle Scouts to incorporate those needs/wishes with the scouts for Eagle projects.
- Mark suggested developing a Master Plan for the Recreation properties.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Meeting adjourned at 9:00pm