

Madison Beach and Recreation Department
Bauer Park Committee
Monthly Meeting Minutes
November 30, 2016

In attendance: Ted Rahmann, Holly Johnson, Ann Judd, John Paulson, Sue Stark, Jim Henneberry

Absent: Nicole Belanger, Tom Kelty, Scot Erskine, Julie Ainsworth

Meeting called to order at 7:35 pm

1. Approval of October 26 meeting minutes. Holly made a motion to approve the meeting minutes for October. Sue seconded. All in favor with Jim abstaining.
2. Chairman's Report – Thomas Kelly from Menunkatuck Audubon would like to come to a committee meeting to talk about barn owls and the installation of a nesting box.
3. Sections Reports –
 - a. Volunteer Coordinators Report – nothing to report.
 - b. Building and Grounds – nothing to report.
 - c. Public Relations and Publicity Report – Bruce Joslyn's general thank you letter to festival sponsors, volunteers and the Madison community should appear in this week's *Source*.
 - d. Gardens Report –
 - i. Final garden cleanup went well and most gardeners took everything out of their plots. Holly reported, however, that landscape fabric was left behind in a number of plots and was very difficult to remove. She proposed that such fabric be banned but no decision was made.
 - ii. The greenhouse has been closed for the season.
 - e. Education Report – nothing to report.
4. Old Business –
 - a. 5-year Plan – nothing to report.
 - b. Dog Park – nothing to report.
5. Harvest Festival –
 - a. The number of entries to this year's photo contest was disappointing. It was suggested that offering a photography class at the park next spring might encourage more entries for next year's contest.
 - b. The Lions Club is aware of the issues encountered at the festival this year with the food service and will meet with the Harvest Festival Committee next spring to ensure that things run more smoothly next year.
6. New Business – Ted presented the proposed meeting schedule for January 2017 through January 2018. All meetings will begin at 7:00 and the schedule will be corrected so that the January 2018 meeting reflects that. Holly moved to accept the corrected schedule; Ann seconded. All in favor.

Adjournment

Motion made by Holly to adjourn the meeting. Motion seconded by Sue and all in favor. Meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

SUBJECT TO APPROVAL