

**Town of Scituate
Grant Committee Meeting
Wednesday June 21, 2017
Town Hall Chambers – 6:30PM
195 Danielson Pike, North Scituate, RI 02857
Meeting Notes**

**Attendance: Carolyn Dias, Kim Smith, Deborah Garneau,
Kristin Polseno (excused), Mike Payette**

6:43pm Meeting was Called to Order by Carolyn Dias.

6:45pm Reviewed of the Minutes from May 3rd meeting. Ms Smith made a motion to accept the minutes. Ms Garneau seconded. All were in favor.

6:46pm Discussed DEM Grant. Ms Dias and Councilmember Mike Payette met with Town of Scituate Recreation Director David Pannone regarding the DEM grant. Initial decisions have been made to apply for the DEM Grant for approximately \$400,000 to do the following at the Recreation Facility near the North Scituate Elementary School: repair basketball court, repair 3 tennis courts, repair sidewalks, replace fencing, and seal coat the parking lot. Town resident Joe Casale has agreed to prepare the engineering paperwork needed to accompany the grant application. Application timeline is the following: August 1st DEM will issue the RFP; Scituate's application is due December and awards will be made March 2018. It was also noted that a resolution from the Town Council will be required.

7:10pm Mr. Payette requested that the grants committee look into funding for a face lift of the Chopmist Senior Center. Especially in need of repair is the roof, windows and siding. Committee member Kim Smith mentioned that Scituate is not eligible for some historic property grants since the town does not have a "Town Charter". Ms. Smith will research other grant opportunities. Ms Garneau will connect with DOA Division of Planning to review municipal grant opportunities.

7:20pm Ms Dias reported that the New Grants Application Policy was approved by the Town Council on June 8th. To date, only the Scituate EMA has completed the Scituate Fiscal Year 2018 Grant List spreadsheet. Submissions are needed from the following departments: school, fire, police and recreation. Ms Dias will reach out to Department Heads and remind them of the policy. In addition committee expressed concern that many EMA grants end 9/30/17 and 12/31/17 without a renewal plan.

There was no public comment. Ms. Smith made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:25pm. Ms Garneau seconded it.

Next meeting scheduled for 7/27/17 at 6:30pm at Town Hall Chambers.