



TOWN OF DEEP RIVER

Parks & Recreation Commission

Deep River Town Hall ~ 174 Main Street

Deep River, CT 06417

NOTE: This is a revised version of the original minutes (*attached*) as submitted. Changes made were for matters of style and clarity only –the substance of the document was not altered

Regular Meeting – February 9, 2011

The regular meeting of the Parks & Recreation was called to order at 7:35 pm by Chairwoman Janice Kmetz. In attendance were: Missy Massey, Sarah Kateley, Kevin Crosby, Janice Kmetz, Miriam Morrissey, Grace Petroka, Kelley A. Lacoske and Carol Jones.

Jason Mercer, who had expressed interest in joining the Commission, attended the meeting to help him decide whether or not to join. Richard Smith, the First Selectman, was also in attendance. Those members absent were: Tania Crosby, Sarah Tulledge, Dave Berardis and Peter Woodcock.

Audience of citizens- None

Secretary's report- The board accepted the Secretary's report. Motion by Morrissey, 2nd by Petroka. Unanimous.

Treasurer's Report- The motion to accept the Treasurer's report was made by Kelley Lacoske and seconded by Sarah Kately. Unanimous.

Old Business-

- a. Summer Concerts- gathering more information.
- b. Carnival- Kmetz called Fred from Savin Rock twice and he never returned her phone calls so nothing is known about alternative dates. She is going to try to call back. Massey discussed the possibility of a family in town running the carnival. If the date of the

carnival can't be changed from May, then the Committee has decided not to proceed with the carnival. Another group was established to discuss other options of a different fundraiser. Grace Petroka and Janice Kmetz are on this sub-committee. Kevin Crosby suggested the possibility of a golf tournament at Hillside Links

- c. Summer Program- A director for summer program is needed. Morrissey is contacting assistant directors to see if they want to be a director of the summer program. There was discussion as to what the term would be (i.e. one eight-week position or two positions at four-weeks each). Need to fill position ASAP.
- d. 5K Run- No Report
- e. Deep River Day/Fireworks- No Report
- f. Movies- More movies this year. Kevin Crosby asked about possibly having concessions at the movies (snacks).
- g. Plattwood Park- skating rink research in the future? Dick Smith noted that when the old warning sirens come down the poles will be available to form the framework for a skating rink. All that would be needed would be a large tarpaulin and the Fire Department to provide the water.
- h. Devitt Field- Toilets will be there for the Easter Egg Hunt.
- i. Town Dock- No Report
- j. Brockway Ferry- No Report
- k. Easter Egg Hunt- Sarah Kately will be the chairperson. Scheduled for April 16, 2011.
- l. Fishing Derby- No Report
- m. Halloween Party- No Report
- n. Holiday Stroll- Possible date of December 2, 2011. Needs to be booked ASAP. Need to request the dates for the Town Hall theater.
- o. Basketball Program- No Report
- p. Bus Trips- Which month to do the bus trips? Possible dates were end of June or end of August. Discussion about the possibility of a Yankee/Redsox trip.
- q. Membership- Veronica Cruz, who has moved out of Deep River, so is no longer eligible for membership. Morrissey requested a letter of resignation via e-mail. Dan Peterson and Karen West have resigned. There are now several vacancies.
- r. *Other Old Business*- The First Selectman and the Chairwoman have collaborated on a job description for the Director and will be posting the position.

New Programs/New Business

- a. Merchants "Love is in the Air" event. Hay rides from town to Lace Factory.

- b. Jessica Nevins from Music Together was asking Morrissey about Park and Recreation sponsorship for her program.
- c. Kmetz talked to the woman about the pilates program, but it was very expensive at \$50.00 per class.

The following is a list of the new committee members:

Summer Concerts- Morrissey and Massey will be co-Chairs and Sarah Kately is on the committee.

Carnival- Massey

5K Run-Kevin Crosby is the chairperson

Plattwood Park- Kmetz is the chairperson. Petroka, Massey and Jones are on the committee.

Summer Program-Morrissey is the chairperson. Kelley Lacoske is on the committee.

Devitt Field-Kmetz is chairperson.

Movies- Kevin Crosby is the chairperson; and Morrissey and Jones are on the committee.

Town Dock-Massey and Tulledge are the co-Chairs; Kateley, and Jones are on the committee.

Brockway Ferry- Kmetz

Easter Egg Hunt- Sarah

Fishing Derby- LaCoske is the Chairwoman; Kmetz and Petroka are on the committee

Halloween Party-Petroka and Jones are co-Chairs; Morrissey, Tulledge and LaKoske are on the committee.

Holiday Stroll- Everyone....group effort

Basketball Program-Barardis

Bus Trips- Jones is Chair; Petroka is on the committee

Fundraising Committee- Petroka, Kmetz, Morrissey, Tulledge, Jones and LaKoske.

The next meeting of the Commission is Wednesday, March 9, 2011 at 7:30.

A motion was made by Jones, seconded by Morrissey, to adjourn at 9:26 pm. The motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Kelly Burton, Secretary *pro-tem*