



TOWN of DEEP RIVER

Parks & Recreation Commission

Meeting Minutes

December 12, 2012

Chairperson, Janice Kmetz, called the meeting of the Deep River Parks and Recreation Commission to order at 7:38 pm on Wednesday, December 12th at Town Hall. Members present were Kelley Lacoske, Mary-Elizabeth Massey, Grace Petroka, Carol Jones, and Elizabeth Scholfield. Those members absent were: Cathy Smith, Dave Berardis, Miriam Morissey, Sarah Kateley, Tracy Woodcock, Stephani Award, Don Sampson, Kevin Crosby and Tania Crosby.

Audience of Citizens- There were none.

Secretary's Report- The motion to accept the secretary's report was made by Petroka and seconded by Lacoske. The motion was passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report- Discussion on recent expenses. The motion to accept the treasurer's report was made by Massey and seconded by Petroka. The motion passed unanimously.

Old Business-

- a. Summer Concerts: The US Army Band contacted the commission regarding the possibility of performing during our summer concert series. The band will notify the town if it is chosen as a location. The band performs for free.
- b. Carnival: Massey reported that the carnival will be held in June 2013 over Father's day weekend. Dates are tentatively June 13-16th.
- c. Summer Program: The Assistant Director of the summer program accepted the offer to return for the 2013 camp. The Director is not quite sure. Jones will follow up.
- d. 5K Run/Walk and Fun Run: No report.
- e. Family Day/Fireworks: No report.
- f. Movies: The committee will pick the movie titles early so that it can be well publicized. The commission will plan to show four movies over the first three Fridays in August with a double feature on one of the dates.
- g. Plattwood Park: Scholfield has painted a mailbox to be put up at the park which will contain plastic bags for dog waste. The basketball metal nets still need to be installed by the town crew. Discussion ensued about the Dry Pants Model Yacht Club who is continuing to use the park even though their approved dates have expired.
- h. Devitt Field: The interior and exterior painting of the new restrooms has been completed. Tri-Town Football brought in a check for the remaining fees that were owed for field use.



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- i. Town Landing/Dock: No report.
- j. Brockway Ferry: Commission members suggested contacting the local Boy Scout troop about helping with a clean-up day at Brockway Ferry this spring. Also, it was suggested that the Committee contact the Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Levy, and inquire about having students help with clean up as a form of community service.
- k. Easter Egg Hunt: No report.
- l. Fishing Derby: The derby will be held Mother's Day weekend in May 2013.
- m. Halloween: No report.
- n. Holiday Stroll: The stroll was held on Friday night, December 7th. The event went well in spite of the rainy conditions that evening. The fire juggler was well received. The committee would like to improve the communication with the fire department as far as when Santa will arrive at Town hall and where he will be dropped off. Also, have Santa light the tree first before greeting children. The DR Fire Department showed free holiday movies. The turnout for the evening was good. The horse and carriages were scheduled to stay until 9:00 but were let go at 8:30 due to lack of riders.
- o. Basketball: The basketball program is underway with all teams holding weekly practices. Due to the low enrollment of girls in the program it was decided to have an open gym format for those who want to play on Friday evenings. It will be coach led by Tracy Woodcock who will give instruction and structure to the evening if needed. Dave Berardis will hold a clinic on Saturday, December 15th for referees and coaches. A First Aid/CPR class will be held Friday evening at the ambulance barn. All coaches have been invited to attend.
- p. Bus Trips: No report.
- q. Membership: There are four openings on the commission.
- r. Fundraising: No report.

Other Old Business:

Morrissey is finalizing enrichment program details with DRES PTO for afterschool classes set to begin in early January, and run for 5 weeks.

A discussion took place regarding the number of daily passes sold at Plattwood Park and at the Town Landing during the 2012 season. To prevent overcrowding at the town facilities, the commission



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will set a limit on how many daily passes are sold during the 2013 season. Jones will research how many passes were sold this past year and present it to the commission at the January meeting.

New Business:

The nominations for officers yielded the following slate: Chairperson: Tracy Woodcock, Vice Chairperson: possibly Kevin Crosby, Treasurer: Miriam Morrissey, and Secretary: no candidate.

Kmetz reminded all members that elections will be held at the January meeting. Nominations can be made prior to the meeting and write in candidates are accepted as well.

The next meeting of the Parks and Recreation Commission is scheduled for Wednesday, January 9th, 2013 at 7:30pm.

A motion to adjourn was made @ 8:52 pm by Petroka and seconded by Scholfield. The motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted,

Carol Jones, Acting Secretary & Director, Parks and Recreation