



TOWN of DEEP RIVER

Parks & Recreation Commission

Meeting Minutes

March 13, 2013

Chairperson, Tracy Woodcock, called the meeting of Deep River Parks and Recreation Commission to order at 7:32 pm, on Wednesday, March 13th, at the Deep River Town Hall. Members present were: Miriam Morrissey, Janice Kmetz, Mary-Elizabeth Massey, Carol Jones, Kevin Crosby, Stephani Award, Elizabeth Scholfield, Cathy Smith, Sarah Kateley, Kelley Lacoske and Grace Petroka. Those members absent were: Dave Berardis, Don Sampson and Tania Crosby.

Audience of Citizen: None present.

Secretary's Report: A motion to accept Secretary's report was made by Morrissey and seconded by Kmetz. The motion was passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: Discussion on recent expenses. Morrissey noticed the treasurer's report and town hall spending was off by \$88.00. A motion was made to accept the treasurer's report as is was made by Petroka and seconded by Lacoske. The motion was passed unanimously.

Old Business:

- a) Summer Concerts: No Report
- b) Carnival: Massey reported the process of making the posters and fliers is under way. Jones has signed and submitted the contract.
- c) Summer Program: Morrissey reported that letters were sent to counselors asking them to return to the program. Also, emails were sent to the parents of Deep River children explaining and offering the new all day program. Registration forms for summer camp went out.
- d) 5-K Run: No report
- e) Family Day and Fireworks: No report
- f) Movies: No report
- g) Plattwood Park: Kmetz reported that the field going to the skate park is being driven on and is extremely muddy, suggested putting bigger rocks or rocks less spaced out as to stop people from driving on it. Kmetz also reported a few complaints from our town veterans that the flag is not lit up. The light needs to be adjusted as it does not light up the flag it just lights up the pole. Jones reported the costs were submitted for the shuffle board and tetherball court. Jones reported that a letter was sent to the Dry Pants Model Yacht Club outlining all the conditions that must be met in order to use the park this season as discussed at the last meeting. The Misfit Cruisers are requesting a food vendor be present during their weekly cruise nights. Jones will



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contact Hungry Hals, a food concession truck, to see if he is available and interested to serve food again at the park. Due to some minor problems in the past, Parks and Recreation will request a deposit or fee for the space and must receive the insurance information before serving any food. Jones reported that a request for park use was made by Doggy Fun Zone, to raise money for oncology. This event would be mid-June and is in further discussion. Jones also reported the basketball nets will be put up within the week. Also, Kyle Smith, a recent Valley HS grad, contacted P & R about organizing and running an outdoor summer basketball program. More information to follow.

- h) Devitts Field: Opening day for DRLL is April 27th. The 'B' field will have drainage work done and clay will be put down. The bathrooms will be ready to go before opening day.
- i) Town Landing: Massey reported April 20th is clean-up day. Jones will look into making sure there is a portable toilet on site.
- j) Brockway Ferry: The town crew will be scheduled to do a clean-up come spring.
- k) Easter Egg Hunt: Smith reported the date of the egg hunt will be Saturday, March 23rd and stuffing of the eggs will be done on Thursday, March 14th. The bunny costume was re-done and a thank you letter will be sent to Amy Winchell. The Deep River Food Pantry is asking for non-perishable food donations so there will be a place to drop food off at the Easter Egg Hunt.
- l) Fishing Derby: Lacoske reported the derby will take place on Saturday, May 11, 2013. No Report
- m) Halloween Party: No report
- n) Holiday Stroll: No report
- o) Basketball Program: Woodcock reported that the two trophies came in for the High School age group tournament. March 23rd is the all day tournament and it will take place at John Winthrop Middle School.
- p) Bus Trips: Jones reported that interest has been shown for a bus trip to Newport Vineyards. Jones is getting more information for this and will be looking into the trip for late September, early October (after Family Day, before Halloween). Two bus trips are planned for major league baseball games. One is a game to Yankee stadium on May 5th and the other is to a Red Sox game on the 30th of June. Jones asked all members to help get the word out to sell tickets.
- q) Membership: No reports
- r) Fundraising: Jones suggested selling bricks at Plattwood for the new snack shack. Families donate a certain dollar amount and receive their name on the brick which is then used to make a walk way.



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Other Old Business: No Report.

New Business and/or New Programs:

Jones reported that the beginner knitting class sponsored by Deep River Parks and Recreation was cancelled as there was not enough interest and sign up for the program.

Jones also reported two boating licensing classes will be held April 7th and June 2nd. Each class is an 8 hour class and is \$65.00 per person. Students must be 12 years of age to attend.

Next meeting for the Parks and Recreation Commission is scheduled for Wednesday, April 10th, at 7:30 pm

A motion to adjourn was made at 8:34 pm by Kmetz and seconded by K. Smith.

Respectfully Submitted,

Whitney Woodcock, Recording Secretary
Deep River Parks and Recreation