



TOWN of DEEP RIVER

Parks & Recreation Commission

Meeting Minutes

February 12, 2014

The meeting of the Deep River Parks and Recreation Commission was called to order at 7:31 pm, on Wednesday, February 12, 2014 at the Deep River Town Hall. Members present were: Kevin Crosby, Grace Petroka, Betsy Scholfield, Tracy Woodcock, Cathy Smith, and Jane Moen. Those members absent were: Sarah Kateley, Mary-Elizabeth Massey, Tania Crosby, Stephanie Award, Don Sampson, Dave Berardis, Carol Jones, Miriam Morrissey and Jimmy Cunningham.

Audience of Citizens – None

Secretary's Report – A motion to accept the Secretary's report was made by C. Smith and second by K. Crosby. The motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer, Morrissey was absent but Woodcock distributed the treasurer's report. Motion to accept was made by K.Crosby and seconded by C. Smith.

Old Business:

- a. Summer concerts –No Report
- b. Carnival – Scheduled for June 19th – 21st; Thursday - Saturday
- c. Summer program – Looking for a Director and Assistant. There is an ad running for two weeks in the *New London Day* and on-line.
- d. 5-K Run - The race will now offer online registration through Raceroster.com. This is the 20th anniversary of the race.
- e. Family day and fireworks – No Report
- f. Movies – No Report
- g. Plattwood Park – Woodcock and Petroka attended the Board of Selectman meeting and heard the presentations of the three companies submitting a bid for the work to be done at Plattwood as part of the State grant that the town received. The work will include a new baseball field as well as ADA compliant restrooms. More details to follow.
- h. Devitt Field – Playground moving forward; two cost proposals have been received to replace the playscape. Little League batting cages are still being discussed. Approval for clay on Field A. Motion to accept by Petroka and 2nd by K.Crosby
- i. Town Landing – No Report
- j. Brockway Ferry – No Report
- k. Halloween Party – No Report



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- l. Holiday Stroll – Change the date to Saturday instead of Friday next year. Jones will email the merchants about this idea.
- m. Easter Egg Hunt – We are moving the date to April 5th because of April vacation.
- n. Basketball program – Season is underway. No more Saturday Basketball in Essex. Parks and Rec asked for more gym time at Essex Elementary School and were declined. K. Crosby asked about starting a girl's 5th and 6th grade summer basketball program. More details to follow.
- o. Bus Trips – Three (3) bus trips to Major League Baseball games are currently scheduled. Two (2) Boston games and one (1) Yankee game.
- p. Membership – Jane Moen is a new member.
- q. Fundraising – 'Buy a Brick' for Plattwood was discussed as a possible fundraiser.
- r. Enrichment Program – We have taken it over from DRES PTO. It will start on February 24th – March 27th.

Next meeting for the Parks and Recreation Commission is scheduled for Wednesday, March 12th, 2014 at 7:30 pm

A motion to adjourn was made at 8:20 pm by Petroka and seconded by C. Smith.

Respectfully Submitted,

Betsey Scholfield, Acting Secretary
Deep River Parks and Recreation