

Town of Deerfield
Parks & Recreation Commission Minutes
January 17, 2012

Call to Order

06:15: by Chairman Dwight Barnes

Present

Committee Members: Dwight Barnes, Jack Hutchinson, Julie DeCosta, Frank Diaz, Jeff Shute, Melissa Robertson, *Parks & Rec Director:* Joe Manzi

Citizen's Comments

N/A

Minutes

approved

Joe Stone Scholarship

- Article on 2011 winners in Concord Monitor & Communicator
- Discussed getting the application into the Concord High School Common-App website

Hall of Fame

N/A

GBW

- Painting completed

Budget

Parks & Rec not an issue at MBC meeting.

Revolving Account= 2011 expenses exceeded revenue. \$2K over. Joe discussed areas where expenses might be reduced (Gazebo Concerts- mixing up days, cutting out some)

ICE SKATING

- Plans have fallen through for the skating rink at Hartbrook Road field
- Joe will check with Mark Tibbetts on the status of using Freezes Pond. Jeff will check the condition as it might be too late to use due to snow and rain.

Membership Vacancy

- There may be a vacancy on the Parks & Recreation Commission. Dwight will check to verify.

Fundraising

- Joe discussed an idea brought to him several years ago by Jim Alexander. The suggestion was to have Tim Sample, a comedian with "Maine Downeast" humor perform in Deerfield. The idea would be to have Tim

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Sample perform at Deerfield Community School, sell tickets and use profits to fund the Joe Stone Scholarship and other scholarship programs. Discussed what date to hold the event and the need to check with the school for availability. Probably the fall would be the best time, between the Deerfield Fair and the holidays.

Old Home Day

Time to start planning for OHD. Fireworks, parade? Discussed having a meeting to plan which would be open to the public for input. Questions raised, "do we have a bike ride", "parade", "dunk tank", "softball". Bingo was a big hit last year. We should plan to hold an ice cream sundaes sale at the fireworks since it was not done last year.

Program Review

Red Sox tickets are available. Joe was able to obtain better games than previous years. Dates are May 13th (Mother's Day), June 10th and August 10th.

Meeting Ended 7:35 PM

Next Meeting Wednesday, February 15th at 6 PM (GB White Building). First 30 minutes will be for public input on OHD.

*Julie DeCosta
(Acting Clerk)*