

Town of Deerfield  
Parks & Recreation Commission Minutes  
January 17, 2013

**Call to Order**

07:00: by Chairman Dwight Barnes

**Present**

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

**Citizen's Comments**

N/A

**Minutes**

approved

**Tim Sample Event**

- Planned set-up for event (chairs at 12:00 & sound check at 3:00)
- Leslie will give sound system to Joe
- Joe met with Becky Rule
- Approximately 150 tickets sold.
- Childcare will be provided if needed.

**Revolving Account/Budget**

- \$15,000 removed from account by Board of Selectmen (BOS) but the money was put back into the account by the Municipal Budget Committee (MBC)
- Joe and Dwight discussed planning to work with the BOS on the issues with the revolving account. Work session planned for February 4<sup>th</sup> at 6PM.
- It was suggested that the funds for the Joe Stone Good Sport Scholarship account be kept as a separate account.
- Discussed options on revolving account and having a 5-10 year plan. Possibly add a maintenance account.

**Youth Sportsmanship Policy**

- Joe discussed positive feedback that he received from the meeting at Deerfield Community School between himself and the DPR Commission and the community of parents and parent-coaches
- Need to develop a policy on recreational and travel team play.

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**Program Updates**

- Trips are planned for the following: Celtics, Red Sox and Foxwoods
- Started Cool Sports (young children 3-4 years old)
- Cookie Club House- baking, cooking and games for young children
- Toddler Dance Program- snowed out
- After School Program- going well
- Boot Camp has received new equipment
- Winter Carnival is being planned for February.

**Staff Update**

- Scott Wilson has resigned and will be going to work for the Tampa Bay Rays
- Joe has offered the job to someone who was interviewed when Scott was hired.
- Erica Almeida has been doing a great job with putting information together on what is going on in Deerfield.
- Ryan Gauthier is leaving for flight school. Last day is February 1<sup>st</sup>.
- Greg Burkland will be replacing Ryan.

**Other Items**

- Julie stated that it would be a good idea to start to advertise the Joe Stone Good Sport Scholarship in the upcoming Forum and Communicator.
- Julie has contacted Leslie van Berkum and she agreed to hold the Spring 2014 Coffeehouse on behalf of the Joe Stone Good Sport Scholarship.
- Jack discussed volunteer opportunities with the local Rotary for kids and the benefits.
- It was mentioned that the DPR will host the 2<sup>nd</sup> Hall of Fame event next year.
- Joe mentioned that Jim MacKenzie has volunteered to run/organize the road race event this year at Old Home Day.

**Meeting Ended 08:45 PM**

**Next Meeting Wednesday, February 12, 2013 at 6 PM (GB White Building).**

*Julie DeCosta*  
(Acting Clerk)