TOWN OF HULL ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES APPROVED

Date of Meeting: 2-12-07 Meeting Start: 7:34 PM Meeting Adjourned:10:10 PM

Attendance:

Member	Present	Absent	Others Attending
Charleen Tyson			Wally Walper
Joan Senatore			Dick Kenney
Dennis Zaia			Marcia Bohinc
Charlie Ryder		With notice	Chris McCabe
Jim Tobin		With notice	Marc Fournier
John Schmid			Pat Finn
Joan Cellini			
Jim O'Brien		With notice	
David Clinton			

Agenda Items:

- Welcome new AB member John Schmid
- Approval of Minutes (1/22 & 1/29)
- Town Manager updates
- Budget Presentation Park & Rec, DPW
- Discussion 5 year budget planning
- Other business/agenda for next meeting

Motion: Accept the minutes from 1/22/07

Vote: unanimous

Member	Made by	Seconded	In Favor	In	Abstained
		by		Opposition	
Charleen Tyson	X		X		
Joan Senatore			X		
Dennis Zaia			X		
Charlie Ryder					
Jim Tobin					
John Schmid			X		
Joan Cellini			X		
Jim O'Brien	,				
David Clinton		X	X		

Comments:

Motion: Accept the minutes from 1/29/07

Vote: unanimous

Member	Made by	Seconded	In Favor	In	Abstained
		by		Opposition	
Charleen Tyson			X		
Joan Senatore		X	X		
Dennis Zaia			X		
Charlie Ryder					
Jim Tobin					
John Schmid			X		
Joan Cellini	X		X		
Jim O'Brien					
David Clinton			X		

Comments:

Town Manager Updates: nothing to report

Presentation by the Park & Recreation Department:

Wally Walper-

We would like to find a way to give more money for the Department Head, Joe Menice.

He is grossly underpaid.

Playground instructors (summer program and winter night gym program) are paid \$9.00 per hour and many have been with the dept for a number of years.

We have a successful summer program with our fees much lower than other towns. \$75 for 1 student with a maximum of \$125 per family. This fee comes out to about \$.30 per hour for these programs.

We don't have a facility for inclement weather and the program is shut down.

We probably have about 350 participants who register (means they have paid) 40-50 kids each day at L Street for Arts & Crafts

Summer Programs go from 9:00 – 12:00

Night Gym runs November to March

Hingham charges \$180 for a 2 week program

Norwell charges \$70 per week

Cohasset charges \$250 per 3week session

Questions: Why is the program shut down during inclement weather? Most of the activities happen at L Street and there is no place in the Memorial School for them to go to. Apparently the school program is only available to students that qualify for the program, open to a limited group of children. Apparently this is a continuation of the after school program that happens during the regular school year.

We need to get this information from the school department.

Park & Rec fees go into a revolving fund that does not require annual authorization. The fees are not put back into the General Fund. In this budget year the \$72,608 in the budget is not the full expense, the money taken in for fees is also added to this number that represents the total cost of the recreation program.

There were lots of questions and issues that emerged based upon the low fee structure and the lack of inside space for inclement weather.

Charleen will communicate with the Park & Rec board, the School Committee, the BOS in regards to getting a better handle on funding for the programs.

Department of Public Works:

Marc Fournier

Marc is realigning the budget items into the proper codes for tracking, so that in 2009 the projections will be more unified and easier to track.

Continually organizing and creating new systems to track all the DPW issues.

Drainage issues are being addressed by a potential grant (\$75,000 chapter 90 money is money from the state that does not need to go through Town Meeting) to map (GIS) all the drainage issues in town. We are also trying to gain student assistance for free intern labor via UMASS Boston. EPA is also mandating better management of runoff water.

Marc included all his wish list items in his budget so that we will have a history of requests.

He offered lots of background information and illuminated many issues for the Advisory Board.

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Motion: To adjourn

Vote: unanimous

Member	Made by	Seconded	In Favor	In	Abstained
		by		Opposition	
Charleen Tyson			X		
Joan Senatore	X		X		
Dennis Zaia			X		
Charlie Ryder					
Jim Tobin					
John Schmid			X		
Joan Cellini		X	X		
Jim O'Brien					
David Clinton			X		

Comments:

Respectfully submitted; Dennis Zaia Secretary/Clerk

Meeting schedule:

2/12(Park & Rec, DPW)

2/26 (Library, Harbormaster)

3/05 (School Committee/Final Budget Presentation)

3/12 (Assessor, Police)

3/19 (Fire) (DPW)

3/26 (Sewer, Planning Board, Light Plant)

4/09 (finalize warrant commentary)

4/23 (discussion of warrant & budget) Televised with BOS

5/07 (town meeting)

Warrant Schedule

2/14 (advertise warrant)

2/27 (deadline for article submission)

3/06 (Selectmen approve warrant)

3/29 (post warrant)

4/09 (finalize warrant commentary)

4/10 (warrant to printer)

4/17 (warrant to post office)

4/30 (warrant in hands of voters)