

Sandown Recreation Commission Meeting
August 1, 2012

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Ron DuLong at 6:44 p.m. Members present were: George Blaisdell, Michael Donovan, and Ron DuLong. Also present was Deb Brown, Recreation Director. Absent were Hans Nicolaisen and Tom Tombarello, ex-officio member from the Board of Selectmen.

The minutes of the June 20 meeting were reviewed.
George Blaisdell made a motion to accept the minutes as written.
Mike Donovan seconded the motion.
There was no discussion.
The minutes were unanimously approved.

Mr. Blaisdell asked if the estimated amounts for summer field trips were OK. Mrs. Brown said that to-date the actual expenses were very close, and usually a bit under.

Mr. DuLong stated that he had no reports, but did have a request. People have been asking him about renting the recreation building. He would like to have the rental fees on the Sandown web site. Mrs. Brown has sent two of the three forms to Paula to up-date the information. The last form should be done by the end of the week.

Mr. DuLong mentioned that next week is the last week of summer recreation, and it is also Old Home Day. Artie Genualdo will be out of town on Sunday. The tents and picnic tables will need to be moved. The tables will probably be moved the following week. Mr. DuLong will ask the Police Dept. about using their trailer for the tents. Mrs. Brown stated that one of the tables came from the beach, and asked if her crew should bring it back to the beach on Tuesday. It was decided that one table would go back to the beach, and the rest would be returned to the recreation facility. Mrs. Brown stated that she did not order the additional picnic table – because the delivery date was too late for the summer program.

Mr. DuLong mentioned that the new driveway at Miller Field is excellent. A wheelchair can be rolled on it, but it is not good for skateboarding. He also noted that there had been a wasp situation at the Miller playground. The area was treated, and the wasps are now gone.

At 7:08 p.m. Tylor Beaulieu joined the meeting regarding his proposed sign and flagpole. Mrs. Brown stated that the last time he was in, he had given approximate measurements for a sign. The plan was approved in general, giving permission to raise funds. The Commission wanted to see a more defined plan and would like to approve major expenses before they were made. They had also strongly suggested a fiberglass pole with a locking internal lanyard.

Mr. Beaulieu reported that he thought that his proposed sign (similar to the sign at Miller) had the approval of the Commission, but it has not yet been made, so changes could be made.

Details of the proposed sign were discussed, including the size, construction, posts, and location. Dates for installation were discussed.

Mrs. Brown asked Mr. Beaulieu how high the flagpole will be. He stated it would be 25 feet. Mr. DuLong asked if it was fiberglass. It was reported that Tylor had found an aluminum (used) pole that he planned to use. Mr. Beaulieu had spoken with Ken Sherwood about requirements for installation. Mr. Blaisdell said that he would like to have more information about the pole and the installation (before it is poured). Mrs. Brown asked if it would have an internal lanyard and lock. Mr. Beaulieu replied that he believed that it did.

Mrs. Brown asked who would be providing the flag, and asked Tylor to let the Commission know if he needed assistance on funds for the project.

Mrs. Brown also asked Mr. Beaulieu if he had any proposed plans for landscaping of the area. Tylor replied that he planned to contact the Garden Club. Mrs. Brown suggested that he call the Garden Club prior to their meeting (next Monday at 6:30 p.m.).

Mrs. Brown noted that the deadline for Tylor with the Eagle Scouts is a week from Friday, and asked if the Recreation Commission needed to sign anything before that date (because the next scheduled meeting is not until August 15, and signatures would have to be obtained on an individual basis).

Mrs. Brown noted that we are at a stand-still at the skate park. Mr. Blaisdell said that he would talk to Mr. Nicolaisen regarding pick-up of the material (the supplier has a narrow window for pick-up availability).

Mrs. Brown discussed current bills to be approved (and covered by summer registration fees). Mr. DuLong noted the car wash scheduled for this Friday.

Mrs. Brown reviewed the proposed changes to the By-Laws (8-01-12, Rev. 1).

Mr. DuLong made a motion to accept the changes, as revised.

Mr. Blaisdell seconded the motion.

There was no further discussion.

The vote to accept the changes was unanimous.

Mrs. Brown gave an up-date since the last (June) meeting. The summer program is going really well. There are about 100 children per day. The councilors have a lot of work, and are in constant motion.

Mr. DuLong made a motion to go into Non-Public Session, RSA 91-A:3, II(c)

Mr. Donovan seconded the motion.

Role Call Vote: George Blaisdell-yes, Michael Donovan-yes, Ron DuLong-yes.

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The Commission went into Non-Public at 8:25 p.m.

The Commission came out of Non-Public at 8:31 p.m.

Mr. DuLong made a motion to seal the minutes.

Mr. Donovan seconded the motion.

The vote was unanimously in favor.

Mrs. Brown noted that the Community Week cookout will be tomorrow from 11:00 to 1:00. Also, the life guards are doing well, and the water tests have been fine.

Mrs. Brown stated that she will be on vacation for two weeks in the fall.

Mrs. Brown also noted up-coming events for this fall:

- Fall bus trip

- Town-wide yard sale

- Senior luncheon

- Trip after Thanksgiving with Plaistow (pending due to illness of Plaistow

 - Recreation Director who will probably be out until the end of the year).

- AARP driving instruction.

Also, there are current programs for ballroom and line dance, and two physical activities for seniors.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:38 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Veronica Utman
Recording Secretary