

RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

MEETING MINUTES: January 12, 2012
MEMBERS PRESENT: John Sangermano, Mike Busch, and Patty Bolton
MEMBERS ABSENT: Tim Allaire & Eric Bachtell
ASSOCIATES PRESENT: Dan Nickelson
ASSOCIATES ABSENT: Lars Rohberg
Meeting minutes taken by: Laura Greenough
Public: Ann Needles

Meeting started at 7:37PM

Minutes

Reviewed past minutes

Patty made motion to approve minutes. John seconded the motion, board voted 3-0 to except the December 15, 2011 meeting minutes.

Stow Community Park Ice Rink

- The rink is up and everything is in place to open rink once the ice freezes.
- Tim will provide a schedule of rink hours and it will be posted on the Town website and in the Stow Independents.

Town Beach Renovations

- The board reviewed John's Beach update project handout (see attached).
- John would like to move the kayak rack to the left side of the beach and define a boat launch area.
- John made a motion to define a boat launch area at the left side of the beach to allow kayaks and canoes access only to Lake Boon. Patty seconded the motion and the board voted 3-0 in favor of the motion.
- Laura and Patty would also like to see the right side of the beach be cleaned out as well. This is an area where a lot of people set up their chairs because it is the only shaded area on the beach.
- The Commission would just like to clean up the beach area and bring the general shoreline back to it's natural boundaries, we would not be creating any new areas or extending the beach beyond the natural boundaries.
- John would also like to move the L shaped dock further over to the left to create a larger swimming area to accommodate Camp Stow and the resident of Stow. He would like to add additional sand to the beach to make the area nicer for bathers.
- The possibility of repairing the stair down to the beach and adding a platform at the top of the stairs for a viewing area was discussed.
- John will prepare the filings needed for the Conservation Commission and contact Pat Perry about getting on their agenda for their next meeting.

Eagle Scout Project

- John went over possible Eagle Scout service projects and impact handout (see attached document).

- Pine Bluff fence project- John met with scout Matt Glauner, more time for planning is needed. Matt will need to present some fencing options to the Recreation Commission at a future meeting.
- Pump House re-roof and renovation project is going to be done by scout Zach Gjeltema. He will also be attending a future rec. meeting to present his project.
- Flagpole location and installation- table this discussion until the board can do a site visit to Pine Bluff to discuss pole location.
- Ropes Course/Initiative Course- This would initially be a low ropes course that would blend into the back area at Pine Bluff. The board would like to do a site visit with Rob Albright, who as designed these types of courses in the past and could give us some good ideas about location, cost and safety concerns.

Pompo Beaver Dam Issue

- Mike Busch contact BOH and Conservation Commission and discuss the Beaver Dam Issue.
- Unless there is a public health concern then there is little that can be done to remove the beavers.
- Mike will send the board a few websites to educate us on beaver dams.
- The Recreation Commission would like to have the drainage area around Pompo field cleaned out. John Sangermano will meet with the Conservation Commission to discuss this matter.

On-Line Software

- Laura Greenough would like to purchase Sportsman SQL software to be used by the Recreation Department for on-line registration. Laura past out a handout with information on Sportsman software and what it can do for the Recreation Department (see attached handout).
- Patty Bolton made a motion to purchase Sportsman SQL software for the Town's Recreation Department; John Sangermano seconded the motion and the board voted 3-0 in favor of purchasing the software.

Motions made tonight

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- Mike Busch made a motion to adjourn. Patty seconded the motion, board voted 3-0 to adjourn at 9:07PM