

**DURHAM RECREATION MINUTES
WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 18th, 2009**

The Durham Recreation Committee met on Wednesday, November 18th, 2009 at the Durham Town Hall. Members present: Liz Cipollina, Mark Dionne, Brendan O'Connell (alternate), Toby Bates and Kate McLaughlin.

Sherry Hill, Recreation Director, was also present.

Members absent: Cheryl Salva, Karen Keane (alternate), Linda Handley, Chris Manemeit, Mike Doyle. Kate Mc Laughlin called the meeting to order @ 7:05 PM. The minutes were read and approved.

Sherry Hill reported that the Mohegan Sun Casino Trip, Saturday, Nov. 21st, will take place as planned. Youth Basketball estimates for gym time.

Tiger Robison presented to the committee a new music program for grades 3-4 and grades k-2. Sherry will work with Tiger to help set the program into motion. We are looking to start the program after the holidays.

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| Strong | 1829.83 |
| Korn | 1686.71 |
| Memorial | 2586.29 |
| Brewster | 2586.29 |
| Coginchaug | 1635.60 |
| Total | 10,324.72 |

Sherry Hill will again attend an annual Parks and Recreation conference in Connecticut on November 23rd and 24th. She will focus on workshops and presentations regarding hiking and biking trails, grants, and program development.

Howd Road open space property discussion continued. The possibility of public use of the property – hiking and walking trails – was discussed. Toby Bates will approach the Conservation Committee and ask to put on the agenda.

This year's Halloween Party and Costume Parade was a huge success and very well attended. Summer Rec staff was utilized in chaperoning the party and assisting in activities. A terrific array of costumes were represented.

Tree Lighting plans are in place. A band ensemble for CRHS will be present and carols will be sung. Hot chocolate and cookies will be available and there will a special visit from Santa.

Upcoming events:

- Tree Lighting, Saturday, December 5th, 3PM

Meeting was adjourned at 8:35.

RECV'D: Office of the Town Clerk
November 25, 2009 at 11:53am

Respectfully submitted,
Elizabeth Cipollina, Secretary