

DURHAM RECREATION COMMITTEE MINUTES

MAY 20TH 2009

Members present: Kate McLaughlin, Anne Figoras, Chris Manemeit, Linda Handly, Toby Bates, and Sherry Hill.

Members absent: Mike Doyle, Brendan O'Connell (alt), Karen Kean (alt), Cheryl Salva, Liz Cipollina, and Mark Dionne.

Kate McLaughlin called the meeting to order @7:07pm. The minutes were read and approved with a minor correction. Toby Bates was not listed as absent from the meeting on March 18th.

Sherry Hill reported that the town budget passed and all is ready to go. Review of the Easter Egg Hunt was discussed and all were very happy with the days hunt. No changes were recommended. The painting of the pavilion at Allyn Brook Park will be done by Golschneider Painting. Painting will be done by Memorial Day weekend.

Sherry Hill reported that summer registrations are going well. The Little People program ages 4-5 has 20 openings in the second session with the first session being full. This program has been open to Durham residents only. Sherry asked if the program could now be open for the registration of Middlefield residents. All commission members were in favor of opening the program to Middlefield residents. The Recreation Summer Staff had no openings this year, all of the 2008 summer staff will be returning.

The Allyn Brook Sign (Rules and Regulations) has been completed. Discussion was held on where to place the sign. The sign will be placed on the left hand side at the main entrance as you enter toward the pavilion. Sherry will discuss the angle with the sign installer. The sign will be in place the week of May 26, 2009.

Summer Concerts were discussed. Nine hundred dollars has been left in the budget 2008-09. That money will not be used. Five hundred dollars was approved for one concert for the summer of 2009. Sherry will call a few bands that were mentioned at the meeting for booking.

The next meeting will be a scheduled site walk at the open space land on Howd rd. The commission will walk and discuss ideas of a hiking, and exercise trails. Toby Bates added that the Boy Scouts may be very interested in the trail project. Toby will invite some boy scouts to attend the meeting. All will meet at 7:00pm on Howd rd on June 17th Wednesday.

Matt Thompson (Coginchaug soccer coach) and Sam DiVito presented to the recreation commission a summer soccer program for boys and girls ages 8-13. The commission gave Matt and Sam the permission to organize the program for Durham Recreation. More information on dates, time, and fee will follow.

The meeting adjourned at 8:00pm.
Respectfully submitted,

Sherry Hill

RECV'D: Office of the Town Clerk
May 21, 2009 at 12:00pm

Durham Recreation Director