

**BARRE TOWN BOARD OF RECREATION
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, WESTERVILLE VT
MEETING MINUTES
EL CINCO DE MAYO, 2009**

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~ Meeting called to order at 6:31 p.m. ~

Present: Linda Mercy, Lionel Cyr, Yvonne Trepanier, Melissa Anderson, Linda Rogers, Lisa Pariseau

Absent: JP Isabelle

Guests: Kelly Murphy, Don Gainey, Kelly Houston, Bob Patenelli from Miracle Playground Equipment

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RE Wilson Street Playground: Bob Pattenelli from Miracle Playground Equipment came to share his thoughts about the Wilson Street site. He shared his history with selling playground equipment. He has worked on all the playgrounds in the area and in the state. He would like to work with the board on creating a workable plan. Miracle Equipment is all made and delivered by the company. He can show a grand plan then split it up into phases to work on if the budget is not feasible.

The only thing we will need to buy is the equipment and the labor/supervision of installation. Bob's work with creating the plan and meeting with/guiding the board is free. Every time he creates a plan for us, prices will be listed. Poles and clamps are warranted for life. All other steel and plastic is warranted for 15 years. Swings, chains, etc are for 2 years. If something breaks through normal use, before the warrantee is up, Miracle will come replace it for free.

Linda Rogers mentioned we are not ready to give a budgeted amount at this point. Bob is willing to wait to hear back from us. He said we can choose components and list them and he

will build a design for us. There are many options. Melissa will get back to Bob with decisions from the board after tonight's meeting.

Board Discussion: Currently, we have \$2,800.00, but we need to purchase a 2-seater swing set (not to exceed \$1,000.00) to show progress toward this project. We will ask Bob to include this in his plans and purchase the swing set from him. The board discussed having Bob create 3 price level plans for about 30 kids and share the plans with us to discuss. Melissa will email him for this information.

* Linda M. and Melissa will visit local businesses with a form letter to ask for financial support. Melissa will draft the letter and email it to the board for feedback before beginning the process of visiting local area businesses.

* Reminder: Dubois and King grant is still available for support on this project.

* Lionel mentioned we need to remember there should be 15 feet between the route of the bike path and the playground design.

Approval of March 2010 and April 2010 Minutes:

On a motion made by Melissa Anderson and seconded by Linda Pariseau the board motions to approve the March 2010 minutes..... all approved....motion passed.

On a motion made by Lionel Cyr and seconded by Yvonne Trepanier the board motions to approve the April 2010 minutes..... all approved....motion passed.

Review of Budget Report:

Looking at the budget report, everything is in line. Revenues for picnic shelter are in line except for \$45.00. Programs are also out of line a bit. Kelly will look into

On a motion made by Linda Rogers and seconded by Lionel Cyr, the board motions to approve the March budget report as presented.

Approve use of Facilities:

Kiwanis has asked to paint picnic tables in order to have the fee waived for use of the picnic shelter on August 16th.

On a motion made by Lisa Pariseau, seconded by Lionel Cyr, the board accepts the request for the Kiwanis club to paint the picnic tables in lieu of paying the fee for using the shelter, to be completed before August 16th, but not to conflict with other reservations.

America Legion baseball will not be returning to the Barre Town fields, they are playing in Castleton.

Field prep and maintenance are on schedule and people have been using the facilities. A few things have been replaced at the skate park. Volleyball net needs to be tightened. Old tree at E. Barre playground will be taken down soon.

At a future meeting, the board needs to discuss the possibility of charging teams a nominal to use the fields. We would like to know if other towns/cities charge for using the fields. (Linda will check with other municipalities). Lisa suggested that we simply ask the teams to make a

charitable donation to the town for use of the fields (minimum of \$10.00 per team). We will need to make a plan/policy for this before we have the next field scheduling in April 2011.

Round the Table:

Lionel: The bike path committee has run into some snags with landowners. They are currently looking at alternate routes and talking with these landowners. Grant money (\$20,000) is being used to help plan for the route. The city and town are both spending \$2,500 to add to this.

Linda R: Jeff Tucker (engineer and community member) is willing to look at the field on Wilson Street to give some ideas about development. Carl mentioned that Barre Community Baseball has put some money into the field. (In lieu of the money from Pike when the South Barre intersection was changed). We should talk to Barre Community Baseball about what they have envisioned for this area.

Linda M: Dave Pickel from First and Fitness would like to come to talk to the board about teaching tennis lessons.

Yvonne: Parents have been asking her where to find a listing of recreation programs for the summer and other times of the year. We may want to consider compiling a list to post on the website. This will be a daunting task, but worth considering. Yvonne would be willing to take this on, but would like some guidance on how to go about starting it. (BYSA, Barre Community Baseball, BOR for hockey, Capital Soccer, basketball, horse riding lessons, etc...)

Can Barre Town Fire Dept use 4-6 picnic tables for annual Father's Day BBQ on June 20th? They would pick them up at 11 and return them when finished. Don will look into who has the shelter booked for that day and get back to the BTFD contact (Chris Sanborn).

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, June 2nd at 6:30pm at the Barre Town Municipal offices downstairs

On a motion made by Lionel Cyr, seconded by Melissa Anderson, the board accepted the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:13pm

~Meeting Adjourned at 7:57pm~

Minutes Respectfully Submitted by:
Melissa Anderson,
Recreation Board Secretary
May 5, 2010