

Corrected Minutes

Recreation Board Meeting of Wednesday

June 3, 2009

Barre Town Municipal Office, Websterville, Vt

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Board Members Present at the Meeting:

Linda Mercy
Melissa Anderson
Jon VanGuilder
Linda Rogers
Yvonne Trepanier

Guests: Carl Rogers, Kelli Houston and Don Gainey, Mike and Sherri Lamberton, Ron Lyon and Mark Miller from Dubois & King

1. Meeting called to order 6:34 pm...
2. Approve Minutes from April and May 2009 meetings. All in favor to approve, Melissa Anderson made a motion to accept, Linda Mercy seconded. Approved.
3. Guests –
 - Mike and Sheri Lamberton. Mike and Sheri were asked to come by Don Gainey as their Summer Picnic Friendship Club gathering is scheduled this year for Sunday July 19 for @ 200 people. Due to the size of event, Don felt that the Recreation Dept should approve this function as it appears to be more of an event than a gathering. Plus Mike and Sherri read the new guidelines for the use of the Shelter when completing the

necessary paperwork and find the charge to be in excess of in the past and wanted to speak with the Board. Sheri explained that this is a Music Show whereas she puts it on each year in gratitude for the followers of her music. The money goes back into the community. There is no charge for this July 19 gathering..it is merely a Thank You to her followers. She feels the \$200 charge is excessive and asked if the Town would be willing to exchange some or all of the charge for the the Town's use of her equipment for the Heritage Festival. She checked her calendar and 7/26 does seem to be available. The Board left it that we would be in touch with Sheri in the next few days at 249-2762 to verify the date was well as to touch base with the bands/musicians scheduled to play to see if her equipment would fit their music.

- Ron Lyon and Mark Miller from Dubois & King. Ron is the site planner and Mark is the director of business development. Ron spoke advising that they were here to advise that the Town of Barre was the recipient of a \$10,000 grant in which to use for the development of recreation...in this case for the development of a playground at Ledge Drive in Barre Town. Dubois & King is in their 2nd year of a 5 year program whereas a grant will be rewarded to the recipient that answered the criteria the best. Our hats off to Kelli Houston in writing this grant for the Town! The grant is for \$10,000 of service and Ron advised that he will continue to meet with the Rec board to focus the efforts on the following:
 - a. Need to know exactly what we are focused on in the Playground planning
 - b. Need Goals set – the do's and don'ts
 - c. Process Planning – Need to define the services the Rec Board wants Dubois & King to do. We need their help as to where to limit the costs.
- John Steele-architect of Dubois & King-will be coming to the next meeting whereas we will all go out on site on Ledge Street to walk the area. We will then be able to coordinate the goals. The grant is not earmarked for surveying. Linda Mercy to contact Gary Klinefelter to see if there is a possibility of Vermont Survey & Consulting would do this.
- Ron to get a copy of the survey done in the area by residents and will get the overall survey emailed to the Board for review.
- Ron felt it would be a good idea to set up a Board Advisory Committee by area residents for Public Participation. Kelli will but a letter together to go out to the community in this regard. Next meeting set for Tuesday June 30 at 5:45 pm where the board will meet at the Town Office to car pool to the Ledge drive site for the site visit of the 1.67 acre parcel. The Recreation Board will then resume their regular meeting to be held at the town office at on Wednesday July 1, 2009 at 6pm.
- 4. Review Budget report. Carl Rogers, Town Mgr, reviewed the report.
- 5. Approve Use of Facilities – nothing to report here. The guest report of Mike and Sheri Lamberton fall into this category but discussed earlier

- 6. Barre Heritage Update – Kelli included the update on the event. See link to the Flyer with all the events being planned. To contact Kathie Felch at 479-9391 or Kelly Houston at 479-9331 for more information. The Heritage weekend is planned for July 24-26, 2009. Fun for all ages!
- 7. New Business –
 - a. Election of Officers – due to the board not being in full attendance decided to delay the election of officers until the 7/1/09 meeting. Will be electing President, Vice Chair and Secretary.
 - b. Playground Equipment –
 - 1. Swingset in Budget for Wilson Street – So Barre
 - 2. Bond Offer - Bob Comolli was the contact but has since resigned position on the Board so will need to find out where this stands. What other equipment would be beneficial there...there is currently a BB court, not functional there. Question is whether to remove it or not. Wait until someone speaks w/the Bonds as to what they have in mind for equipment before the BB court is removed.
 - c. Brick dedication at the Christa and Mikayla Playground in So. Barre. Linda Mercy spoke w/Kathy Pelletier. The ordered bricks have been delivered at Kathy's home but the clip art on the bricks were not done. Kathy is in contact with the brick people in Massachusetts to see how to be handled. To get an installation date so we can work around that date at the Park.
 - d. Story Walk – advised by Melissa Anderson in May, the Story Walk was vandalized and destroyed on the bike path and the Town is responsible for payment of the loss of \$130. Should this be tried again? Board voted to YES try this again and to put it up over the Heritage Weekend where there is more people in the area and to put the story in the beginning of the bike path area wrapping it around the soccer field area so not in a secluded area. Melissa to work with Kellogg Hubbard Library to see if this can be done by that date.
 - e. Fall Field Schedule: No schedules yet. Fall Schedules consist of Spaulding Soccer, Boys & Girls, and Girls Field Hockey. Don Gainey to work with Kelly Houston to get a letter out to Pat Merriam-Spaulding AD and Phil Joyle-Barre Town Athletic director to work on these schedules and have them to the board no later than the August Board Meeting.
- 8. Round Table: George Cook of Capital Soccer wants to extend the August 6 camp. He is considering starting a Lacross camp at noon before the Soccer camp at 3pm. Melissa Anderson approved.

Status of upkeep of the Skatepark. Don Gainey advised that the gazebo contains graffiti and this should be taken care of. Linda Mercy to personally take care of this by painting the interior. Linda spoke with Dave Wood of Talent Skatepark, builder

of the park for input on the upkeep of the wooden portion of the ramps. Per Dave to put on a Thompson type Water Seal and that will protect the wood. Linda asked Carl Rogers and Don Gainey if this is something that the recreation ground crew could do and Carl advised he could see no reason why not. Linda to buy the water seal and gloves and get to Don. Would like it preserved prior to the competition set for July 26.

No other business noted

Motion files to dismiss meeting at 8:12 pm.

Minutes taken and reported generated by:

Linda K. Mercy
Recreation Board Secretary
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