



TOWN OF SHARON

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Town Clerk

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Recreation Advisory Committee

LOCATION OF MEETING: Sharon Community Center

DATE & TIME: April 25, 2013

Meeting Minutes

In attendance: Gary Bluestein Chairman, Steve Lesco, Laura Salomons, Steve Ferrara, Margaret Marder, Mike Goldstein (arrived at 7:15), Rick Schantz, Mitch Blaustein (arrived at 8:45), Amanda Deni Levasseur, & Christine Kasparian.

7:10 Meeting Called to Order.

- I. Meeting Minutes: Steve L. made a motion to accept the meeting minutes of March 28. Laura S. seconded. Approval is unanimous.
- II. Asst. Dir. Report: Christine has finished the summer brochure. David Goldstein won the summer logo design contest. We have Radio Disney coming in June. All summer staff have been hired. Numbers for camp are being monitored. Tennis and theater is popular. (Laura Salomons disclosed that her son has been hired to be a camp counselor.) Christine is already thinking about fall programming. One new fall program will be "Young Rembrandt" which is an art program for toddlers and parents. She is also updating all forms. The Community Center is very busy at night, but in the fall Christine will start thinking about how to keep the Center busier during the day. Weekend programming development will be more of a

focus in the fall. DPW has a 19 hr/wk position to be hired when weekend programming kicks in.

- III. Dir's Report/Basketball Summary: Amanda reported on a meeting she had with SHS staff on a summer music program. There was a discussion about the basketball program, excess funds, and sponsors. Amanda is thinking about adding additional referees to the older team games that could be paid for by these excess funds. Amanda is in talks about a swimming program for children with disabilities. Older sailing boats (20 years old) need a lot of work to be ready for the summer program, and used boats will be purchased for the summer as well. Another possible summer program could be kayak/canoe rentals. Another possible addition to the lake front could be a kayak rack for which we could sell kayak passes. Amanda talked about a potential cricket league in town, and is currently looking for a field to use. Amanda has ordered new signs that consolidate all the current signs. Online beach tag sales are going well. Amanda and Christine presented info about programming to the Men's Club.
- IV. Sacred Heart Property Update: Design Committee was formed and heard from 3 companies. Building is coming down May 6th, and will all be done within 2 weeks. An all purpose youth sized field will be built. There is extra money b/c the demolition bid came in so low. With this funding, perhaps parking will be addressed and maybe the areas near the pond could be cleared out. Public meetings will be set. Details like fences will be worked out later.
- V. Field Permit Process: Amanda wants to revisit how we permit the fields, care for our fields, and then fund maintenance of fields. Youth groups have a priority use of fields. A subcommittee (Mike and Steve F) was established to work with Amanda on this.
- VI. Memorial Beach Renovation Progress: Bathrooms have been painted. Sinks and toilets are in. Plumbing and electricity will all be hooked up shortly. Most work will be done by May 18th, when Jamnesty happens. Concession stand will be run by same vendor.
- VII. Old Business: Gary wants to do a Facilities visit. He will send out an email to find out the best date for people. Gary wants to know how ballroom rental is going. Margaret asked if we could discuss ideas that the CPA might fund. This will be added to a future agenda. A discussion about how to best deal with the docks took place.
- VIII. New Business: The shed at Ames went in. Everything will be painted possibly green.
- IX. Next Meeting: May 16 at 7 p.m.

9:07 Laura S made a motion to adjourn, Mike seconded. Meeting adjourned.

Submitted by Laura Salomons