

Approved 8/8/06
HAMPDEN PARKS & RECREATION
MEETING MINUTES JULY 25, 2006

Meeting called to order at 7:32pm.

Attendance: Chris McDonald, Huck House and Bob White. Larry Forrest arrived at 7:37pm and Mark Goossens arrived at 8:12pm. Also in attendance were Dale Desmarais and Katie Demers from Grinn & Barrett Studios.

Minutes: The minutes from June 11, 2006 were read. Bob made a motion to accept the minutes from June 11, 2006 as read. Huck seconded. All in favor 4-0.

Bills: Reviewed and paid.

Grinn & Barrett Studios: Dale and Katie from the studio came in to the meeting to ask permission to photograph the teams. There will be no cost, liability or risk to the town. Someone will organize a "picture day" where the teams will show up and be photographed. They will offer individual posed and team photos. The parents will have the option to buy or not. The Parks & Recreation department will receive a small amount from each package purchased. The coach will get a free picture of his/her team. Pictures will be mailed directly to the families, not the Parks & Recreation office. Katie will follow up with Bob and Huck in the fall to arrange for the basketball season photos.

Baseball: Tom Dwyer has put together a 12-14 team to play in a tournament July 28-July 30. He will hold a couple of practices this week at the Park.

Old Business:

Park Road: Larry and Chris will put metal pins in the ground where Gary Weiner has marked the boundaries. Dana should be able to clear and cut back along the road in October.

Financials: Deb brought the financials up to date. The Board reviewed the numbers. The Board will review the financial spreadsheet once a month.

Gold Star Soccer Camp: Brent Dillard will be holding the Gold Star Soccer camp 7/31-8/4 at TWB from 8:30-4:30pm. Larry will unlock the bathrooms in the morning and Chris will lock them up in the afternoon. Deb will send a reminder to Brent Dillard that the fee for the field use is due.

Prospect Lawn care: Huck will call and meet with someone from Prospect to get an estimate on over seeding, aerating and fertilizing the soccer field and baseball outfield of TWB.

Spray Park: We received the original Order of Conditions from the Conservation Commission. This is to be kept for our files per Chris. The contract for the Spray Park construction will be coming soon per Carolyn Brennan.

Soccer: The 5th grade girls (U11) have two more players to meet the minimum amount for a team per Chris.

New Business: The Federated Church Ladies Aid has offered two camperships to deserving families for the summer program. Deb and Kara will look into this.

Refunds: A basketball refund request was received. The request was reviewed and the rosters were looked at. The child was placed on a team. The refund was denied due to the policy that if the child's name was on the roster, no refund would be given. A summer program refund request was received. The child attended the first day and does not want to go back again. Larry made a motion to refund four out of the five days. Huck seconded. All in favor 5-0.

Basketball Uniform Estimate: Rick Kapinos sent in an estimate for travel uniforms. The Board reviewed it. RAH will purchase the uniforms per Bob. The Lions Club donated money to RAH to go towards the purchase of the uniforms. Bob has a cheaper estimate and will get in touch with Rick.

Running Club: Tom and Diane Regnier are interested in doing the running club again at Green Meadows in September. The information they sent in to the meeting was reviewed. Huck made a motion to let the Regnier's proceed with their program. Larry seconded. All in favor 5-0.

Huck made a motion to adjourn at 9:17pm. Mark seconded. All in favor 5-0.

Next meeting: August 8, 2006 at 7:30pm.