

Falls Village Rec. Commission
Meeting Nov. 2, 2009

A meeting of the Falls Village Recreation Commission was held on Monday November 2, 2009 @ 7:00pm at the Town Hall. Recreation Commission members present were Darin Dodge, Beth Grayson, Margaret Caiati, Doug Cohn and Betsy Howie. Also in attendance was Tim Downs and Dominick Caiati.

Minutes

- Meeting opened at 7:10 PM
- Old Business
 1. Rec. Center Sign Installation
 - a. Tim Downs spoke with Ghi Sign on Friday, October 30, 2009. The sign is ready and will be installed the week of November 2nd, 2009. Any material costs for installation will be charged to the Towns' account with C.A. Lindells.
 2. Halloween Party recap
 - a. The Recreation commission thanks Sandy Rhoades for providing a magic show at the Halloween party this year. Margaret Caiati is sending a written thank you note with great appreciation.
 - b. The Recreation commission is also grateful to the Lee H. Kellogg 8th grade students who participated in hosting the party.

A donation to the 8th grade fundraiser for their class trip to Canada was discussed. Betsy Howie made a motion to send a contribution of \$175.00 along with a proposal, to their adviser Joan Wingard, for the potential of additional contributions for help with the commissions Christmas and Easter events; with the maximum annual contributions being set at \$525.00. Beth Grayson seconded the motion. The commission voted unanimously.

Beth Grayson is sending the letter of proposal to Joan Wingard. Margaret Caiati will advise the Town Treasurer to send a check for \$175.00 payable to *Kellogg 8th grade 2010*.

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- New Business
- 1. Rec. Development
 - a. Multipurpose Field – Darin wrote a letter to the BOS to request the formation of a Multipurpose Field Committee. Commission recommends 7-9 members.
- 2. Open Pool projects
 - a. Tim Downs reported the status on open projects at the pool site and the feasibility of additional storage.
 - Pool side doors are on hold and won't be completed for this winter. Entrance to Pool side will be boarded up temporarily.
 - Windows in the gable end, above Men's room, are installed.
 - Drywell septic for the pool backwash is complete.
 - Cement footing for Pump house was poured.
 - Drakely Pool was called about installation of drain covers. They will complete in spring 2010.
 - b. Commission discussed sending a letter to Board of Selectman requesting a formal list of items left to complete at the Town Pool and an account of remaining available funds in Pool account.
- 3. Tree Lighting
 - a. Tree Lighting and Holiday party set for Sunday December 6th at 4:30 to 5:30pm in the Senior Center. Set up of party by commission will begin at 2pm. Senior Center request forms are being prepared.
 - b. Request for Tree needed this year. Betsy Howie will arrange a notice on the Falls Village Blog.
 - c. Margaret Caiati and Beth Grayson will make arrangements for hot chocolate, cider, cookies, and caroling.
- 4. Sponsored Programs
 - a. Creative Kidz Club/Kellogg After school program-
 - Dominick Caiati recapped the success of the Creative Kidz Club summer program, enrollment and financials.
 - Dominick advised the commission that he is interested in becoming an Activities Director for the Town and Recreation

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commission. He distributed a list of potential projects to enhance the Creative Kidz Club, After school Program, and additional town activities including open gym nights, art programs, and a community garden.

- Dominick is looking for sponsorship from the Rec. commission to move forward with winter programming and discussed the feasibility of using the old town hall rental space as a site. The commission is willing to sponsor these programs in some capacity but requested that Dominick contact the Board of Selectman in reference to his site request.

- b. Commission discussed the need to set guidelines and formalize requests for programming from town members.

5. Member Recruitment

- a. There are two open seats on the commission that need to be filled.

 - b. This meeting was Darin Dodge's last official Rec. Commission meeting. The members of the commission are very grateful for his years of service and wish him luck; however he will be called upon for service!

 - c. Betsy Howie made a motion to nominate Doug Cohn as interim Chairman of the Recreation Commission. Beth Grayson seconded the motion. All members agreed unanimously.
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- There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:50 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Margaret Caiati, Commission member