

Falls Village Rec. Commission
Meeting December 7, 2009

A meeting of the Falls Village Recreation Commission was held on Monday December, 7 2009@7:00pm at the Town Hall. Recreation Commission members present were Doug Cohn, Beth Grayson, Margaret Caiati and Betsy Howie.

Minutes

Meeting opened at 7:13pm

Old business:

1. Reviewed Minutes from November 2, 2009 meeting:
A motion by Betsy Howie to accept minutes as written was second by Beth Grayson. Unanimously approved.
2. Rec. Center sign installation update:
The sign to be installed at Town pool property is not complete. Doug Cohn will call Tim Downs to receive an updated on its progress.
3. Holiday party wrap up:
 - The Recreation commission is very pleased with the participation of Lee H. Kellogg's 8th grade class in hosting the event. Per the November 2nd meeting, Margaret Caiati will advise the Town Treasurer to send the next contribution check in the amount of \$175.00 payable to Kellogg 8th grade 2010.
 - The commission is once again grateful to ToyMakers for their donation of Hot Chocolate and continued support of this event.
 - Additional receipts for out of pocket expenses were approved by Doug Cohn and forwarded to Linda Paviol, Town Treasurer, for reimbursement.
4. Outstanding Pool Projects/Budget:
A letter of response from Selectmen Pat Machare, in regards to remaining pool projects and accounting of funds, was reviewed and discussed.
5. Multipurpose Field:
Possible members for a new Multipurpose Field sub-committee were discussed. Doug Cohn will contact members of other town committees as well as past Recreation commission members to facilitate the creation of this sub-committee.

New Business:

1. New Policy Development:

- Commission is developing and updating standard policies to be followed when approving applications for sponsorship of programming. Betsy Howie is creating a draft form to review at the commissions' next meeting.
- Reviewed the commissions' budget for funds available for existing and new programs.
- Margaret Caiati reviewed phone conversation with the Town Treasurer regarding the accounting of private donations to the commission which are ear-marked for specific programming. Any private donations should be deposited into a separate Town checking account that will be held for the earmarked program. The funds are accessible through reimbursement requests to the Town Treasurer when needed.

2. New Town Activities:

Develop Summer Program-

The commission feels strongly that changes need to be made in running the town pool. The YMCA contacted Margaret Caiati requesting a meeting to review closing procedures for the pool as well as to discuss ideas for 2010. The committee is interested in meeting with the YMCA representative before any decisions are made on changes. Margaret Caiati will request a representative attend the January meeting with a proposed contract for 2010.

3. Member Recruitment:

- The Commission currently has two positions filled with absentee members. Beth Grayson is sending a letter to the Selectmen requesting the absentee memberships are not renewed in order for the commission to function more efficiently.
- The Commission members are recruiting for the two positions. Betsy Howie will create PR through the Falls Village Blog, Daycare, Registered Voters and possibly F.O.L.K.S organization.

There being no further business a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:35pm was made by Doug Cohn and second by Betsy Howie.

Respectfully Submitted,
Margaret Caiati, Commission member

