

HAMPDEN PARKS & RECREATION
Meeting Minutes July 28, 2009
Town Hall

Meeting called to order at 7:10pm

Members Present: Huck House, Bob White and Rick Kapinos.

Absent: Mark Goossens and Marty McQuade

Bills: Reviewed and paid.

Minutes: The meeting minutes from July 14th were read. Bob made a motion to approve the minutes as read. Rick seconded. All in favor 3-0.

Park Fence: Two estimates were received to raise the 4' section of fence around the spray park to 6' and add two gates so that it can be secured when it is not in use. Rick made a motion to have Brodeur-Campbell Fence Company put the fence extension up and put on the two gates for \$1625. Bob seconded. All in favor and so voted 3-0. The work will be done as soon as possible after August 7th, when the summer program ends.

Park Maintenance Coverage: The Park maintenance position will be covered by the Board Members and the clerk while Rick Kelly is on vacation.

A new swing will be purchased to replace the broken one.

Summer Program: The Board approved a refund for a child that will not be able to attend. Kara sent in the attendance numbers so far: week 1 - 58, wk 2 - 60, wk 3 - 45, wk 4 - 45. She thinks she will have approximately 60 for the final week.

Softball: Larry will be asked to come in to the next meeting to discuss the softball program for next spring.

Board positions: Interviews for possible Board Members will be held at the meeting on August 11th.

Old Business:

The 3 on 3 basketball program at the Park started last week. The time will be changed to 6-8pm from now on. All participants will sign a waiver before playing. The program will go to the end of August.

Park Bridge – Bob looked at the bridge. For the short term, he can put up some angle brackets to steady the railing. One of the 6 x 6 beams has come loose. He feels that the bridge should be rebuilt. Huck has not met with Gary Weiner yet to look at the embankment erosion problem but will soon to get his opinion on what needs to be done.

Spray Park – Huck will meet with Ed Poulin. Ed volunteered to look at the pumps to see if he can figure out why it shuts down.

New Business:

Basketball tryouts are tentatively scheduled for Columbus weekend in October. They would be held Friday, Saturday and Sunday evenings. Bob will have the soccer schedules by the end of August and will work with Rick on the scheduling of the tryouts to avoid conflicts.

TWB Gym Floor – the new gym floor is in at TWB. Rick would like to kick off the basketball season by inviting the older kids who missed the benefit of the new floor, to come back and do a round of layups to start things off.

Rick made a motion to adjourn at 8:25pm. Bob seconded. All in favor and so voted 3-0.

Next meetings: August 11th at 7pm
August 25th at 7pm

Submitted by Deborah House, Clerk