

## RECREATION DEPARTMENT MINUTES 8-25-2009

ATTENDING: Steve, Justin, Louise, Vern, Valerie, Mark and Ann

GUESTS: Patrice and Marion

The meeting started at 6:35pm. Revisions were made to the July Minutes.

Old Business: The Public Hearing for Kimball Pond was held and the ordinance for the Pond has now been changed so that the hours of operation match the sign.

The BOS discussed the Slusser Senior Center Rental Policy and it was decided to allow everyone in town to rent the facility but they must have their own insurance. The BOS will rewrite the policy.

The Eagle Scout Project is a work in progress. Justin will submit the letter to the BOS.

The Online Recreation Guide should be updated before the end of the year.

The bids are now in to the BOS for the sale of the trampoline. More to follow.

Program Updates: T Bone was a success. More than 70 people attended.

The Movie in the Park was attended by 150 people. There was discussion about purchasing a bug fogger but this would require getting a licensed applicator. Justin to speak to Greg at the Building and Grounds. We should select five movies for next year and ask folks to vote on which movies that they would like to see. The glowsticks were a hit. Next year we could do 3 movies and perhaps team up with the PTA who also shows movies at Harold Martin School.

The discount Circus Tickets are now sold out.

There are still Red Sox Tickets available for the Oct 1<sup>st</sup> game.

Outdoor Soccer now is run on Sunday afternoons.

Indoor Soccer will start in October. The Tennis Program will start in the fall. Justin is meeting this week to start up the program.

Summer Day Camp is now over and we had a great program and staff. This year we asked the Town for \$12,000. Next year we will ask for about \$4,500.00 but after that camp will hopefully be self sufficient. Louise will send out a thank you letter to the Community.

Kimball Pond closed last weekend. Next year we will try to put up a changing room. The Online survey for the Fourth of July event will be closed out. Justin will create one for the Movie in the Park.

Jim Martin suggested to Justin that we have a Halloween Costume Swap. Mark will mention this suggestion to the PTA. The PTA will be doing a craft fair at the school on October 24<sup>th</sup>. We will be allowed to use the old Sandy Heino Building for our Halloween event. Mark and Steve will attend the next PTA meeting to hear the discussion involving the Halloween Parade. We would like to piggyback our event onto their Parade. Our event will be from noon to 3pm. The Women's Club will do the food but they would like to know what we would like. The group suggested hamburgers and hotdogs, popcorn, chili, apple pie or apple crisp, baked goods, hot pretzels, candy apples and donuts. Louise to call Ron and Dottie about doing hay rides.

Other suggestions for the "Halloween Holler" are: pumpkin decorating, string the donuts, toss the hula hoop around the pumpkin or the skeleton, limbo with witches brooms, limo noodles, musical tombstones, 3 legged spider relay race, harvest dash

(race), marshmallow bobbing, pin the wart on the witch, hot potato, pass the apple, create a scary tale, bonfire or roast marshmallows in the fireplace. We could ask the new owners Tim Bassett to donate apples. Justin will ask some of the camp parents to help out with the event. We should set up bales of hay, corn stalks and mums for folks to take pictures.

The next meeting will be held on September 29<sup>th</sup>.

This meeting adjourned at 8:15pm.