

Marshfield Recreation Department

Recreation Commission Meeting

Minutes

July 13, 2011

Attendees: **Ned Bangs** **Jan Dobsovits** **Chris Ciocca**
 Seamus Kent **Mike Fay** **John Vallier**
 Dan Pitts

Absent: **Brian McCarthy, Kirk Douglas and Tim Bartlett**

7:01 p.m. Meeting called to order

Previous minutes accepted by all.

PLAYGROUND – Still need cages for the barrels and signs. The lock on the gate is an on going problem; it's just not made durable enough. Chris Igo has been set up at the playground, selling hot dogs, drinks, etc.

OPEN SPACE – There is a meeting in two weeks. Chris reported that they had a meeting with the neighbors of the Old Beach Road parcel. The neighbors are not in favor of putting a park there. John Hall stated at their last meeting that he would help support properties that will be used for fields. There are 2-3 fields on Oak Street. CPC money cannot be used to improve property that is already owned by the town; must be purchased with CPC money for improvements. There is space for 2-3 fields behind the Boys & Girls Club.

BUILDING/GROUNDS UPDATE – Adam Clark, the Director of the ASD Program comes in twice a week for 1.5 hours with the group of teens to do work around the Recreation Dept. They learn social skills while they are weeding, tending to the garden and play horse shoes. Kennedy will be delivering more compost on Saturday. DPW will chip the branches and trees that were cut and cleaned; then volunteers will spread the wood chips.

SUMMER PROGRAM – Ned reviewed the status of the summer programs. The Kiddie Cat Jam went well; the only complaint was a few days the grass was wet, which attracted the mosquitos. There was a high demand to add more weeks to the tennis program, we added three more sessions. Danny's Journey is Friday, this is a program for special needs children and their families to go sailing and have a cookout after. The following are details of the summer concert series:

- **On The Town Green - Sunday, July 17th – Family Concert; The Perry's are on at 5:00 and the Infracions are on at 6:00; "Kids all star review" . Shaw's is donating 250 hot dogs, rolls, water bottles, charcoal, condiments. If we do decide to charge for food, the money will just go back into the program.**
- **On The Town Green – Sunday, July 24th – Kiley Evans and Lonesome Jukebox from 6:00 – 8:00.**
- **At Proprietors Green – Sunday, July 31st – Quintessential Brass**
- **At Proprietors Green – Sunday, August 7th – Driftway Jazz**

DIRECTORS REPORT – We have some money to spend on capital projects. We'd like to do the following: replace ripped screens, purchase screens for windows, Tower Ave. resurfacing, mason work for Skate Park, and split rail fence. An Eagle Scout has been working on the street hockey rink, replacing boards, fix cracks, stripe it out, latex it and fix basketball courts. Karen Biagini from the farmers market is looking to set up at the Recreation Department on Ferry Street the two weeks the fair is in town. She is coming down this Saturday to meet with Ned and check out the property.

ON-LINE REGISTRATION – Contract is agreed upon on the town's end, waiting to hear back from Peak Software to sign off on it. By the end of the month Verizon will install fiber optics.

EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT – Compost bins have been moved and the gardens have been tilled. Cody is working on the fund raising for the fence. In August we will still be able to plant corn, carrots, etc.

CORRESPONDENCE: None of the Tower Ave residents support the proposal of a fence being installed. We received \$600 from Harvard Pilgrim for the Good Vibes for the garden. Deb Clancy, a senior tax relief volunteer donated \$100 for the helping hand fund. Ned spoke with Brian Adams, the facilities manager, regarding Apple Cleaning Company. We have not been happy with their services; Brian said we will give them 6 months to improve. Bob Ahern from the Marshfield Youth Basketball League contacted Ned to offer us the hoop rims to lower the hoop for the younger players. Ned said they have been working out great, we will most likely buy a few.

COMMISSION: The Kiwanis is playing a softball game versus the Police Department on Saturday, August 6th from 12:00 – 3:00. Rain date is August 13th.

Next meeting: Wednesday, August 10, 2011 at 7:00 pm

Meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Karen Andersen.