

Town of Georgetown
Parks and Recreation Commission
July 6, 2006

Meeting Minutes

CALL TO ORDER

The Georgetown Parks and Recreation Commission held its regular monthly meeting on July 6, 2006 in the Star Hook and Ladder Building. Chairman Shirley Shimon called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Answering the roll were Chairman Shirley Shimon, Vice Chairman Elaine McWain, Peter Werlin, Kathy Fiebig and Jim Blugerman. Robert Hodge and Elaine Dunn were absent. Also in attendance was Town Treasurer Mary Sims.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Ms. Fiebig moved to approve the minutes of the June 1, 2006 meeting as written. Ms. McWain seconded and the motion was adopted by unanimous vote.

AGENDA APPROVAL

The agenda was approved as presented.

AUDIENCE BUSINESS

None.

NEW/UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Report from Parks Employee Joyce Ellingson

Ms. Ellingson reported that the large tree bench in City Park was completed and in place. She asked Mr. Werlin if he was going to apply some sort of finish to it and he confirmed that he would after a little more finishing work was completed. Ms. Ellingson also reported that the flagstone has been replaced in City Park. Ms. Ellingson wished to thank Jodi Martin, Kathy Fiebig, Ryan Zabel, Shirley Shimon and the Garden Club for all their hard work pitching in while she was on vacation. She mentioned that Chuck Stearns and Mary Sims planted grass seed in the area behind Town Hall. She requested that Commission members save coffee cans to place around Town for cigarette butt disposal. Ms. Ellingson reported that the grass in Triangle Park looks great although the work in the park still needs to be completed. Ms. Ellingson also mentioned that the cable fences at the Warming Hut are in desperate need of repair. She happily reported that there have been no reports of stolen flower baskets this year, probably due to the use of the wire ties making it difficult to remove them quickly.

Recommendation to Board of Selectmen for Lake Area Rules

The Commission approved the draft of the Lake Area Rules and asked that they be submitted to the Board of Selectmen for final approval.

Activity Night Update

Mr. Werlin reported that they are having great turnouts on Monday Activity Nights. An average of forty residents are showing up each Monday and having great fun. No applications were received for the position of Recreation Program Manager so they will rely on volunteers for the remainder of the summer to run the program. Mr. Werlin also reported that he has received \$49 in donations so far for the purchase of new games.

Fallen Tree Park Bench Update - Second Bench

Mr. Werlin reported that he would be constructing an eight-foot bench out of the remaining log. His plans are to move the log to his father's house to work on it so it will be out of the way.

City Park Flagstone Replacement Update

Ms. Fiebig reported that the flagstone replacement in City Park is complete and that they have several extra pieces of flagstone and are unsure of where to place them.

Pet Waste Management in the Parks

Ms. Fiebig reported that she has built four pet waste bag holders out of donated materials. They will be placed in the parks after stenciling "Dog Bags" on them to help identify their locations. The need for them in Strousse Park and Pizza Park was expressed.

Recommendation of Tree Ordinance to Board of Selectmen

The Commission agreed to approve the draft memo to the Board of Selectmen on the Commission's recommendations regarding a Tree Ordinance and asked that the memo be given to the Town Clerk for distribution to the Board of Selectmen and the Town Administrator.

Annual Checklist for Parks & Recreation Commission

The Commission reviewed the draft annual checklist of recurring tasks and added several items. They all agreed that it would be very helpful in planning for the coming year.

Budget Update

An update with June's figures was unavailable.

ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Shimon adjourned the meeting at 7:45 p.m.

APPROVED:

Shirley Shimon, Chairman

Mary Sims, Town Treasurer