

Town of Georgetown  
Parks and Recreation Commission  
June 1, 2006

Meeting Minutes

CALL TO ORDER

The Georgetown Parks and Recreation Commission held its regular monthly meeting on June 1, 2006 in the Star Hook and Ladder Building. Chairman Shirley Shimon called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.

ROLL CALL

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Ms. Dunn moved to approve the minutes of the May 4, 2006 meeting as corrected. Ms. Fiebig seconded and the motion was adopted by unanimous vote.

AUDIENCE BUSINESS

None.

NEW/UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Request from Mr. J.L. "Doc" Bailey for Removal of Tree in City Park

No discussion was had on this item because Mr. Bailey did not attend the meeting.

Report from Parks Employee Joyce Ellingson

Chairman Shirley Shimon thanked Ms. Ellingson for returning for another season and acknowledged that she has already received compliments on the parks. Ms. Ellingson made the suggestion that signs be posted near the flowering trees in City Park stating Do Not Climb. She said that there have been problems recently and that the signs could just be hand made. Ms. Shimon suggested fencing around the trees. Ms. Ellingson also mentioned problems with cigarette butt disposal. It was suggested that coffee cans could be placed around the park for disposal. Ms. Ellingson said that residents around Triangle Park are upset that the work that was to be done in the park last year after Foster's Place was completed still has not been started. Ms. Shimon said that she would check with Mr. Hodge about this project, primarily about the removal of the large rock under the swing. It was reported that all the parks have working water meters now. Some are permanent and some are removable. Ms. Ellingson asked if the tree bench project could be moved or finished as soon as possible because it is in her way when she mows and it also is a hazard.

Continued Discussion on Lake Area Rules

The Commission finalized the Lake Recreation Area Rules for submission to the Board of Selectmen for approval. Ms. Sims will type the final draft and put it in Commission member boxes before the next meeting.

Activity Night

It was reported that the games have arrived with two of them backordered. Posters have been placed around Town advertising the kick off night of June 5<sup>th</sup> as well as a reminder on the water and sewer billing.

#### Fallen Tree Park Bench

No update was available since Mr. Werlin was unable to attend the meeting.

#### Flagstone in City Park

Ms. Fiebig reported that they would try to have this project completed before 4<sup>th</sup> of July.

#### Clean Up / Pride Day Report

Ms. Shimon reported that there were four very full dumpsters by the end of the weekend. Forty-five adults participated in the event. Ms. Shimon said it was a very successful cleanup day. She will draft a letter for the newspaper to thank the citizens for their participation and Ms. Sims will submit it to the paper.

#### Scheduled Summer Parks Events

The Commission reviewed the current calendar of scheduled events in the parks.

#### Adopt a Garden Report

Ms. Shimon reported that all the gardens around town have been adopted. She also mentioned that the cost of hanging baskets along Sixth Street will be over budget this year due to rising prices.

#### Division of Wildlife Plantings at Lake Area Update

No update was available.

#### Pet Waste Management in the Parks

Ms. Fiebig reported that she could make inexpensive doggie waste bag holders out of 12" long 4" PVC pipe with capped ends that could be filled with bags to pick up dog waste in the parks. She said this project could be completed for less than \$20. The Commission agreed that this is a needed item in the parks. Ms. Fiebig will construct the containers.

#### Budget Update

Ms. Shimon discussed the budget for trees, pointing out that a citizen would like the large spruce in the northeast corner of City Park removed because he believes it is a hazard to the surrounding homes if it were to be blown over as the other large spruce tree was. She also discussed the status of the spraying of the trees by Lam Tree Service, which she said she would be discussing with Chuck Stearns, Town Administrator. Ms. McWain suggested that the Commission put together an annual calendar of important events and maintenance schedules that need to be planned for each year such as tree spraying. All the members agreed. Ms. Shimon also discussed the Clear Creek Metropolitan Recreation District Budget and the monies that were allocated to Georgetown. She reported that \$525 is allocated for maintenance of the Ball Field, \$700 is allocated for Community Center rent and \$350 is allocated for the Tennis Courts. The proposal for their Conservation Trust Fund monies to be spent in Georgetown is \$1000 for the fence at the Tennis Courts and \$3500 for repair of the retaining wall at the Ball Field.

#### ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Shimon adjourned the meeting at 8:30 p.m.

APPROVED:

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Shirley Shimon, Chairman

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Mary Sims, Town Treasurer