

Town of Georgetown
Parks and Recreation Commission
September 4, 2008

Meeting Minutes

CALL TO ORDER

The Georgetown Parks and Recreation Commission held its regular monthly meeting on September 4, 2008 in the Star Hook and Ladder Building. Chairman Elaine McWain called the meeting to order at 7:20 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Answering the roll were Chairman Elaine Mc Wain, Elaine Dunn, Robert Hodge, and Peter Werlin. Member Beth Luther and Vice Chairman Ryan Zabel were absent. Also in attendance was Town Treasurer Mary Sims.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the June 5, 2008 meeting were approved as written.

AGENDA APPROVAL

Ms. McWain requested that an agenda item called "Bits and Pieces" be added. The agenda was approved as amended.

AUDIENCE BUSINESS

None.

NEW/UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Report on Town Parks

Ms. McWain reported that the estimate to repair the retaining wall at the ball field is \$34,300. She suggested that the project be put out to bid. Mr. Hodge estimated the materials at \$6,300. He suggested using boulders from the wastewater plant to build the wall instead of railroad ties. The Commission agreed to request half the amount for the project from CCMRD as a capital improvement project for the 2009 budget. The remaining amount would be requested in the Parks and Recreation budget requests for 2009.

Mr. Hodge stated that he would need engineered plans before putting it out to bid. Ms. McWain will contact Craig Abrahamson to request a quote for his engineering services.

Mr. Hodge and Mr. Werlin voiced their opinion that they did not think the retaining wall repair should come out of the Parks and Recreation budget.

City Park Projects

Ms. McWain reported that Ms. Luther has checked on the fill material for the paths in City Park. She commented that the paths would need leveling prior to resurfacing.

The Commission agreed that planting lilac bushes along the fence on Rose Street would discourage people from climbing over the restored fence.

Ms. McWain suggested that a section of the fence along Taos Street be removed and the old path be restored to help preserve the fence.

Ms. McWain suggested that long range plans for City Park be discussed at the regular meeting in January 2009.

Arts in the Park

The 2009 date for Arts in the Park is scheduled for July 25th.

Concert in the Park

The Commission agreed that 2009 Concerts in the Park should be scaled down to only two concerts, one each in July and August. It was also decided to have scheduled and contracted rain dates.

Fall Decorating

Ms. Busenitz has been cleaning out Old Missouri and should have decorations ready to put up soon.

Big Horn Sheep Festival

There was nothing to report due to Ms. Luther's absence.

Tree Lighting and Town Decorating Contest

To be discussed at the October meeting.

Bits and Pieces

Ms. McWain reported that 2009 will be 150 years since gold was discovered in the Clear Creek Area. There are events being planned throughout the year. Ms. McWain is the liaison for Georgetown to coordinate events.

Discussion of county zoning of BLM lands around Town

Town Administrator Chuck Stearns spoke about the proposal for Clear Creek County for zoning lands outside the Town's boundaries. He referred to maps and permitted uses for each zone provided by the county. There would be two zones, Buffer and Natural Resources. The Buffer zone would be more restrictive. Mr. Stearns explained that when the county posts their notice for a Public Hearing there would only be 45 days, a short time, for the Parks and Recreation Commission to make recommendations. He wanted to make the Commission aware of the upcoming zoning of this property. He suggested the Commission appear before the Board of Selectmen when the zoning proposal is heard.

Discussion on possible grant for improving stream quality by Block 83 with Trout Unlimited

Mr. Stearns reported that Trout Unlimited is interested in improving stream quality along the "Golden Mile". They would like to restore the creek for spawning, clean out the banks and add rock for spawning. He said he would follow up with Trout Unlimited.

2008 Budget Review

The budget was reviewed. Mr. Werlin is to call Lam Tree Service for an estimate of the fall work that needs to be done.

Discussion of 2009 Budget

The proposed submittal to the Board of Selectmen was reviewed.

ADJOURNMENT

Ms. McWain adjourned the meeting at 8:20 p.m.

APPROVED:

Elaine McWain, Chairman

Mary Sims, Town Treasurer