



**SHERMAN
PARK AND RECREATION**

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Present:

Fran Frattini – Chairman
John Wrenn – Director
Kris Fazzino
Scott Berlinger
Stan Greenbaum
Karen Kellett – Secretary

Absent:

William Butts
Denise DePalma

Guests:

There were no guests present in the audience.

Call to order:

Chairman Frattini called the September 9, 2013 Park and Recreation Commission meeting to order at 7:34pm.

Minutes:

A motion to approve the minutes of the August 12, 2013 Sherman Park and Recreation Commission Regular Meeting minutes was made by Stan Greenbaum. The motion was seconded by Scott Berlinger and passed unanimously.

Correspondence:

Chairman Frattini stated that someone had been in touch with concerns about boat dock rules, saying there had been loud music and a generator left running on the dock while the owner left in his boat. A discussion followed about boat dock rules. Fran Frattini suggested that as in the past the rules should again be given out along with boat slip assignments in the spring. Stan Greenbaum suggested that a thorough review of boat dock rules after the budget time would be feasible. Mrs. Frattini had received a copy of Nassau County boat dock rules, which she passed to those present, and she will research area towns and lakefront associations' boat dock regulations in preparation for the review.

Old Business:

* John Wrenn has no news on street lamps at beach. He has requested results of mold testing for beach cottage but none are available.

* Fran Frattini asked for an update on the planned Babi Floyd tribute concert. Denise DePalma is working on that project and was not present to comment.

* Scott Berlinger noted that removing all vegetation from a 3-foot perimeter around the beach cottage would help cut down on mold problem.

* Fran Frattini stated that she had received a request for use of the Allen's Camp area of the Town Park for a Cub Scout campout from 3pm on Friday, September 20 through 10am Saturday, September 21. Approximately 8 families will be camping cooking will be on a camp stove and campfire in the fire ring.

Stan Greenbaum made a motion to approve the Cub Scout's application to hold their campout at Allen's Camp with use of the pavilion bathrooms from 3pm September 20 until 10am September 21. The motion was seconded by Scott Berlinger and passed unanimously.

* Fran Frattini passed out copies of the annual report. There was a discussion. It was noted that Julia's Run should be added to the paragraph mentioning the triathlon.

The final concert will be at 1:00pm on September 28 and the Red Dirt Road Band will perform in the pavilion at the Town Park.

Computer work being done at the Park and Recreation office was discussed. It is almost completed.

New Business:

Scott Berlinger described a new 5K-road race for the fall called the Fox Trot. The race will be a benefit for a different cause in Sherman each year. It will be on town roads so he thought that no police would need to be hired. The race will be held by Viper Racing in conjunction with Sherman Park and Recreation Department and will probably start at the Congregational Church. It will be a friendly and fun competition between the men (Hounds) and the women (Foxes). After some discussion a tentative date of November 9 was set for the race.

Stan Greenbaum made a motion to approve the proposal for the 5K Fox Trot race on November 9 on the Church Road course including only town roads. The motion was seconded by Kris Fazzone and passed unanimously.

Water fountains on Veterans Field were discussed, including the history of fountains that had been on the field and the issues that would need to be addressed to get another fountain in the future. Mr. Berlinger will contact Frank Spaziani to see if the water line is at the field and what needs to be done to have a water fountain installed.

Kris Fazzone mentioned that a kid's triathlon might be a good idea and Scott Berlinger agreed if it was for fun only and not for competition.

There was a discussion about continuing with the dugout project at Veterans' Field and if it was going to go forward. Kris Fazzone will follow up with Brian Wood, Land Manager of First Light Power Resources, as the location of the dugouts would be within the project boundary of Candlewood Lake.

Director's Report:

Mr. Wrenn shared the following information:

- * A Park and Recreation employment census was shared with the commission
- * The checking account reconciliation was turned in for audit and was returned to Mr. Wrenn with no comments attached.
- * There had been some requests for facilities but the individuals making the requests did not show up at this meeting with their paperwork as instructed.
- * Nancy Parker is resigning from SPARK to take a job with American Airlines. The Park and Recreation Commission thanks her for her services and wishes her well in her new position.
- * Supervision of SPARK for the remainder of the school year will be covered by Ben Krier, Danielle Christie and Jody Clark.
- * Stan Greenbaum will help train the SPARK supervisors on the QuickBooks program.
- * SPARK started the school year with 4 or 5 children per day but one day had 15 participants.
- * The cumulative March 1 to September 9 checking account report was shared with the Commission, with a balance as of 9/9/13 of \$3,415.43
- * Mr. Wrenn reiterated that the Red Dirt Road Band concert is coming up on September 28 at 1:00 at the pavilion at the Town Park.
- * The Cripple Creek concert went very well and was actually the band's last concert before they disbanded.
- * The Don Lowe concert went very well and had a good crowd, too.

With no other business to come before the Commission, *Kris Fazzino made a motion to adjourn the September 9, 2013 Park and Recreation Commission Regular Meeting at 8:42pm. The motion was seconded by Scott Berlinger and passed unanimously.*

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Kellett
Park and Recreation Secretary

Mary Jo Dix
Recording Secretary

These minutes are not considered official until they have been approved at the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Park and Recreation Commission.