

ASHFORD PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION MINUTES

Meeting of May 13th, 2013

Recreation Office 7:00 P.M.

Present: Sherry York, Kim Ayers, John Boiano, Garth Bean and Sandra Moquin

Start time: 7:10 P.M.

Public to be Heard: Maggie Almquist – Maggie attended this meeting to see if she would be interested in joining our group and to find out more about the APRC.

APRC is glad that the Town Budget Passed last week.

Financial Report – YTD Expenses

Line Item Title	Budgeted	Current Year Expenditures	Balance Remaining
Recreation Programs	34,000.00	27,225.00	6,774.00
Administration	44,773.00	37,235.00	7,347.00
Grounds Maintenance	13,750.00	6,744.00	6,244.00
Totals	97,490.00	76,987.00	19,474.00
Income for the Year	\$30,597.00		

The Financial Report was accepted.

- Income was down due to adult classes not running (kick boxing and Yoga)
- John Boiano suggested survey for programs to run and search for more instructors
- Survey to run through the school, and current list of participants perhaps during the concert time
- We discussed kinds of questions to put on the survey

Chairperson's Report

Discussion was had about adding a stage to the front of the Gazebo in PHP in time for summer concerts.

Sherry and John to discuss plan with Ralph.

Program Update

- **Swimming** – Full capacity
- **Youth Theatre** – Went Great!
- **Bronx Zoo** - 2 bus loads went, logistics difficult
- **Science Camp** – 10 kids attended was a success! May Baskets, Pint-size Picasso also ran this Spring
- **Open Mic Nights** – next dates are 5/24, 6/28 – The healthy snacks went well! Break for summer.
- **Scholarship update** - \$500 from Lion's Club to help children participate in programs will hopefully be renewed

New Business

Status of Parks Maintenance

- Do we want to resurface basketball court or wait? Wait and see what Gazebo improvements cost??
- Eradicating Russian Olive plants (invasive plants)-Dan Donahue is willing to take lead and we are willing to give him the lead.

Barbara Metsacks – Farewell Picnic –Sunday, June 2nd, 2013 at 1:00 p.m. Tickets are \$10.00

Ashford Activator – Listing all summer programs is due now, will be in homes before Memorial Day weekend

Ashford Campout – AMP will take place on August 16, 2013. Discussion about food, whether to sell or not, wanted Dan Kehoe to weigh in on this, since this was his idea.

300th Anniversary Committee

This group is trying to put together a Vintage Baseball game in the park.

Concerts in the Park

- Westford Congregational Church – Pizza - July 9th – Cover 2 Cover
- Democratic Town Committee –Kielbasa, hotdogs, etc. - July 16th - J.J. Diamond
- PTO – Grinders – July 23rd – T-Bone
- TBA – Hamburgers and Hot Dogs – July 30th Brother Earl
- APRC – B-B-Q – August 6th – Featuring the band “Glamour Girls”

We agreed to adjourn this meeting at 9:00 p.m.

(*Note: Since all of the APRC agreed on all Ideas we did not have motions to approve, disapprove or abstain in any of the topics that took place)

Minutes submitted by Sherry York for secretary Kim Ayers/ Sandra Moquin
