



Claremont Parks & Recreation Minutes

Date: June 18, 2012

5:00 PM - Site tour of new Community Center
6:00 PM @ Goodwin Community Center

Board Members:	Toby Batchelder, Jeff Coburn, Jim Feleen, Ted Hopkins, Wayne McElreavy, John Napsey, Jodi Tenney, Carolyn Towle
Other Invitees:	Scott Hausler
Attendees:	Toby Batchelder, Jeff Coburn, Jim Feleen, Scott Hausler, Ted Hopkins, Wayne McElreavy, John Napsey, Jodi Tenney, Carolyn Towle
Excused:	
Next Meeting:	Monday, July 09, 2012

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting was called to order by Jeff Coburn at 6:00 PM

REVIEW & APPROVAL OF MINUTES: **Motion to approve the minutes as presented for the meeting of 5/14/12 was made by Carolyn Towle, seconded by Jodi Tenney. Vote: Unanimous Approved**

Motion to approve the minutes as presented for the meeting of 5/23/12 was made by Toby Batchelder, seconded by Carolyn Towne. Vote: Unanimous Approved

OLD BUSINESS:

- Update on the merging of the Goodwin Community Center and Claremont Parks & Recreation Boards. – Scott Hausler said that he had spoken with City Attorney, Jane Taylor and that Jane said that the information is currently being researched. Jane was going to be on vacation for the next week. The discussion then continued to determine who belonged to what Board (GCC vs. Claremont Parks & Recreation) It was advised that those that were solely on the GCC Board should contact Kelly LeBlanc to apply for the Claremont Parks & Recreation Board. Jeff Coburn had already done so, John Napsey and Carolyn Towle still needed to get in touch with Kelly. It was also asked that when the merger of the Boards was clarified by Jane how would the Board look; how many members & what authority they should have.
Motion was made by Toby Batchelder to table this discussion until Jane could attend a future meeting and discuss options. Seconded by Wayne McElreavy Vote: Unanimous Approved
- Update on Barnes Park and the repairs to the stadium seating – Scott H said that there was a woman from the Elks club that was interested in helping raise money for the project. Scott H went over what the needs were and will continue discussions with Mike LaPointe & Chuck Ferland to see if they are interesting in working on a joint project with the Elks.
- Review of Fee Schedule for new building – Scott H shared with us the chart that outlined the purposed fees for the new Center. Memberships will be based on when the when the member signs up and will more than likely be issued as annual, 6-month, 3-month & daily. There will a cost for a card replacement. The Center will have free space so that children have a place to go after school or during vacations. Carolyn suggested we look into creating some type of scholarship to help cover the cost for those who are unable to afford a membership. Jodi asked if a brochure draft had been done and if so, could it be emailed to the Board for review prior to the next meeting.

Lap Passes are valid for 15 visits		Swims 3 days/week	# of Passes	Cost	Cost
		Days/year	per year	per year	per day
Current Sr. Lap Pass Holder					
\$ 12.50		121	8.1	\$ 101.25	\$ 0.84
New Sr. Annual Pass					
\$ 120.00		350	1	\$ 120.00	\$ 0.34
Current Adult Lap Pass					
\$ 20.00		121	8.1	\$ 162.00	\$ 1.34
New Adult Annual Pass					
\$ 240.00		350	1	\$ 240.00	\$ 0.69
New Youth Annual Pass					
\$ 120.00		350	1	\$ 120.00	\$ 0.34
New Family Annual Pass (4 Members)					
\$ 300.00		350	1	\$ 300.00	\$ 0.86
			per family member		\$ 0.21

- Review of the Capital Improvement Project (CIP) it was asked if the chart could be prioritized, Scott said yes. Scott said that if wanted he has available a full report that breaks down the total cost and what it is made of. Scott was asked if he could email us a copy of the breakdown so that we could review prior to discussion at the next meeting.

CIP SUBMISSIONS

Arrowhead Parking Lot	\$50,000
Lighting Projects (Barnes, Veterans, Monadnock)	\$910,000
Park Maintenance Facility	\$500,000
Old LaCasse Park	\$200,000
Spray Park 1-Location	\$250,000
Park Open Air Pavilions	\$150,000
Paving Projects	\$500,000
Pedestrian Pathway	\$300,000
Visitor Center Green(Event Platform)	\$130,000
Tennis Court Restoration	\$400,000

Barnes Park Grandstand and Turf Field \$1,850,000

Broad Street Park Management Plan & Maint Plan \$100,000

- Strategic Planning – Jodi mentioned that Claremont Savings Bank had someone that would be willing to help us begin the strategic plan but before we begin this process we really need to get the issue of the Board resolved before we can really move forward. This discussion will continue at a later date.
- When would we like to schedule park tours? It was suggested that rather than just go on a tour to see the parks that we should tie in the CIP report to see what needs to be done at each location. Scott will send out a schedule. He will divide the parks into three tours schedules to begin on Thursday, June 28th at 5:30 PM.
 - Moody Park
 - Broad Street Park
 - Veterans Park
 - Arrowhead Recreation Area
 - LaCasse Park
 - Barnes Park
 - Factory Street Park
 - Monadnock Park
 - Visitor Center Green
 - Sarah B.H. Smith Riverside Park

NEW BUSINESS:

- Up Coming Summer Programs
 - WNHTR Trail Run June 23rd – If anybody would like to participate or help out please contact the GCC.
 - 4th of July Celebration – Grace River Church will begin the festivities during the day in Broad St Park and then festivities will move down to Monadnock Park. If you are available to help please contact Scott H. It was suggested to the meeting to consider moving the handicap parking. Scott will talk with the Claremont PD to see if changes are able to be made.
 - All Out In Moody Park MTN Bike Race July 8th
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DIRECTORS REPORT:

- Movies on the Green started a little bit earlier this year. The one on June 15th had about 50 – 75 people attend. (Several HS held graduations on this day as well as Jenkins recital was this weekend)
- They are looking into having games played on the big screen but not sure how to promote it.
- Busy park schedule this time of year, working with almost a full crew which allows some to work on maintenance projects such as the repair work to the guardrails near the culverts at Moody Park.
- Working on trying to condition the high impact surfaces at Monadnock & Barnes Park.
- Continue to take groups on weekly kayaking trips. Upcoming trip will be at Pillsbury State Park.
- Summer soccer registration going well. They have 350+ kids currently registered.
- They will be offering and Outdoor Adventure Camp that will last 2-weeks.
- Mini Cardinals is in the process of raising money for new uniforms & they are still looking for a coach.
- They have both Jr & Sr Babe Ruth teams for the summer.

NON-AGENDA:

- Wayne McElreavy asked if Steve Lizotte was no longer on the Board. Scott explained that because Steve was now employed by the Park & Recreation he could no longer serve as a Board member.
- Jim Feleen asked if a new location was found for the community garden. Scott reported that the new location is located at Sugar River Drive and things seem to be going well for that group.
- John Napsey mentioned that while walking on some of the trails near Arrowhead that there was a strong gas odor from what appeared to be the dirt.

- Jim Feleen asked about the Community Center starting a Facebook page to aid in raising money. The Center had one about 2-years ago and had about 300 + friends. City Manager asked for it to be taken down.
- It was suggested that Goodwin somehow be incorporated into the name of the new Community Center. Scott explained that the plaques from the old building were to be included in the history wall and that Phyllis Muzeroll was working on a time line and written history of the center. The architect agreed to work with Scott and the rest of the staff on the design.

Motion to adjourn the meeting of 6/18/12 was made by Carolyn Towle, seconded by Toby Batchelder. Vote: Unanimous Approved