

SALEM RECREATION COMMISSION

SALEM, CONNECTICUT

MEETING MINUTES

April 19, 2010

Present

Pam Henry Jim Burke
Bob Appleby Rich Cirillo
Sue Spang/Chairperson
Diane Weston/Recording Secretary

Absent

Peter Lee Joe Dalton
Al Giansanti Kim Bingham

Call to order:

Chairperson Sue Spang called the meeting to order at 7:06pm.

1. Minutes:

M/S/C (Appleby/Cirillo) to approve the March minutes as presented. Vote: P. Henry, R. Cirillo, B. Appleby to approve minutes. Abstaining: J. Burke

2. Treasurer's Report:

No Treasury Report presented.

S. Spang reported no decreases were taken for the 2010/2011 budget.
May 5 is the town meeting for the budget.

3. Public Comment/Guests/Correspondence:

Don Bourdeau Report:

Public works is helping the PTO paint lines on the school field for the "Cow Chip Raffle".

Saturday April 24 is opening day for baseball. Red clay will be put on the fields.
Work is completed on the concession stand. The old refrigerator will be removed and replaced. A fire extinguisher will be purchased for the concession stand.

The Recreation Commission paid for the expense of the water treatment at the concession stand for the spring. Baseball will pay for the expense of the water treatment in the fall.

Water testing will be done on the well water at the concession stand.

Salem Youth Baseball League is working on opening/closing procedures for the concession stand. The electrical work is completed. Sensors for the outside lights need to be readjusted.

The Rocket Club is requesting the grass at the Gabois property be mowed. D. Bourdeau said public works will mow when they are available.

Discussion took place about a fee based horse path. The maintenance and liability towards the town would be affected.

A long jump has been put in at the Salem School track. There is no upgrade to the track due to budgets at this time. The track will be maintained as usual.

The loom pile on the Multi-purpose path will be screen and leveled out for a picnic area. S. Spang reported the path held up well during the rain storm.

Four bids were received for the hook up of the lights on the basketball/tennis courts. The timer will be set for the lights to go off at 10:00pm.

It was noted the nets are not staying on the rims of the basketball hoops.

4. Additions and Revisions:

S. Spang added to New Business:

f. Tennis Courts

5. New Business:

a. Concession Stand

See D. Bourdeau report.

b. Mission Statement

R. Cirillo suggested the Mission Statement for the Recreation Commission be worked on as a group. An email will be sent out to members asking for their input. Time will be set aside at the next Recreation Monthly meeting for the Mission Statement.

c. Recreation Clerk Report

More residents/non-residents are needed for the NYC Bus Trip on May 1.

Programs are in place for the summer camps.

It was discussed about after school programs being offered at Salem School by the YMCA. Recreation might also offer different programs at the school.

6. Old Business:

- a. **Baseball** – P. Henry reported opening day is this Saturday. S. Spang will see if the school buses can be moved for the day.
Softball has started.
- b. **Soccer**- May 8 the season starts. Easter morning soccer was successful. It was the same as the Turkey Bowl; pick up game for parents and children.
- c. **Basketball** – No report at this time.
- d. **Halloween 2010**- No report at this time.
- e. **Multi Purpose Path** – The grant has been received and the money will be used towards two crossings on the path.
- f. **Tennis Courts**- S. Spang will see a squeegee will be purchased for the courts. A hitting board will be put up. J. Burke suggested M&M could be asked about the board. D. Bourdeau stated the fence would have to be reinforced. Research will be done for benches for the area.
Discussion took place concerning forming a team tennis group for adults with intermediate and experienced players. R. Cirillo offered to coordinate the group.

M/S/C (Appleby/Henry) for the formation of an adult team tennis group, organized by member R. Cirillo be sponsored by the Recreation Commission. Vote: Unanimous

7. Other Business

Discussion took place about a Disc Golf Course for Salem.

D. Bourdeau suggested plastic recycle bins be placed at the different fields next to the waste baskets.

8. Adjournment:

M/S/C (Cirillo/Henry) to adjourn meeting at 9:00pm. Vote: Unanimous

Respectfully Submitted

Diane Weston

Recording Secretary