

Recreation Commission Meeting

August 2, 2012

Director's Report

No meeting held in July

In Attendance: Don Russell, Pat Cushing, Wendy Burkowski, Joan Bladwin

1. Budget
2. Recreation Center-NA
3. Summer Programs
 - A. The free "Learn to Swim" program offered in Veteran's Park has grown in popularity over the past three summers. It has grown so large that it requires one WSI, Brian M, and on some days to assistants. A fifth guard is needed to work half days no to maintain proper supervision ratios at this beach.
 1. I would like to budget for 7 whole day guards, one guard 9:30-2:00, and one WSI for M-F 2013. Vote-yes
 2. Should WSI assistants being given a pay increase during swim lesson duties? Vote-NO
 - B. Free Arts and Crafts has also become extremely well attended with over 90 participants on July 3 and averaging 30-40 children a day. A full attendance report is kept on file.
 - C. Requesting two to three benches be placed in Roger's Park in front of the retaining wall by the basketball court. Patrons often wander into the park unprepared for movies, concerts, and plays and additional seating would be helpful.
 - D. Requesting an outlet to be installed in a more accessible location. Currently, I must go under the gazebo to plug in electronics for the concerts.
 - E. The Lake George Theater Lab receives funds from the Town each year. I request that all future vouchers are handled by the Recreation Department, and would require advanced notice of dates and show titles (no later than May 1 of each year) so that all shows may be placed on the Recreation Calendar and be properly advertised. This year, only one of the four events was scheduled in advance and advertised through me, and three events were not held on Town property. Further discussion on this topic is required and shall be addressed in August during a regular meeting. I have prepared a letter and will send it to the LGTL at the end of the season.
 - F. Ground bees continue to be problematic on Veteran's and Roger's playgrounds.
 - G. Considering a new program for teens for Summer 2013. I am looking into the offering organized activities for teens 2-3 days/week including field trips, movies, supervised beach time, putting out a calendar independent of the current summer program calendar. The program would be well supervised and follow guidelines similar to the Bolton Summer Day Camp, but not actually be a Camp subject to NYS Dept. of Health regulations. It would have a limit of 16 children, two chaperones, and be available to children ages 13-15.
 - H. The 6 Week Bolton Summer Day Camp Itinerary is attached
 - I. Tennis Schedule, will remain the same in 2013

Respectfully,
Michelle R Huck

Next Meeting September 6, 2012 6:00 PM

