

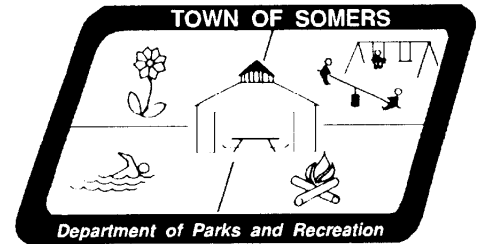
# Somers Parks & Recreation Board

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James Papa  
Chairman



## MEETING MINUTES

September 7, 2016

Chairman Papa opened the meeting at 6:35 p.m.

The members present were: Jim Papa, John Papalia, Don Penzine, Michele Sanz, Michele Werney, Kevin Westerman, and John Zattola. Jim Boniello and Stephen Krug were absent.

Parks and Recreation Superintendent Steve Ralston was also present.

### PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no Public Comment.

### MINUTES

A motion was made by Mr. Penzine to accept the minutes of the July 27, 2016 meeting as submitted. Ms. Sanz seconded the motion. All were in favor.

### MR. RALSTON'S REPORT

There were no questions about Mr. Ralston's Report.

### OLD BUSINESS

**Reynolds House Restoration** – The Parks and Recreation Board had previously agreed to allocate \$100,000 from Recreation Fees at the end of the Reynolds House Restoration project. At the request of the Town Supervisor and Town Board, Chairman Papa was asked to poll the Board to see if the funds could be released now as the foundation has to be replaced. The Somers Land Trust has provided all monies thus far and more than 50% of the project is complete. Mr. Papa is quite impressed with what has been able to be accomplished to date. A poll was taken and the Board was in favor 4 to 2, with one abstention to allow the money to be given now.

**Recreation Building Dedication Ceremony** – There will be a meeting on Friday to discuss the agenda for the dedication of the Parks and Recreation Administration Building in honor of former Parks and Recreation Superintendent Sylvia J. Kalil on Saturday, September 17 at 10:00 a.m. Invitations will be sent out as well.

### NEW BUSINESS

**2017 Budget Review** – All were pleased with the proposed departmental 2017 budget

and thanked Mr. Ralston for a job well done. Ideas for new programs will be shared in an effort to generate revenue.

A motion was made by Mr. Papalia to accept the 2017 budget as present. Mr. Penzine seconded the motion. All were in favor.

### **MR. RALSTON'S COMMENTS**

Mr. Ralston didn't have any comments this evening.

### **BOARD COMMENTS**

Mrs. Werney asked about the trails and the picnic tables in Koegel Park. The issues have been taken care of.

At the request of Historic Properties Board Chairman Emil Antonaccio, Mr. Papa asked about the butler building. This process has ended up being more complicated than originally thought and Mr. Ralston will continue to keep everyone updated.

Mr. Papalia asked that a discussion about the concession stand take place at next month's meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m. The next meeting will take place on Wednesday, October 26, at 6:30 p.m. in the Recreation Center in Van Tassell Park.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise Schirmer, Secretary  
Parks & Recreation Board

cc: Parks & Recreation Board  
Superintendent of Parks & Recreation  
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