

Somers Parks & Recreation Board

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James Papa
Chairman



MEETING MINUTES

May 28, 2014

Chairman Papa opened the meeting at 6:35 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance. The members present were: Gary Friedman, Jim Papa, Don Penzine, Kevin Westerman and John Zattola.

Parks and Recreation Superintendent Steve Ralston and Councilmen Richard Clinchy and Tom Garrity were also present.

MINUTES

A motion was made by Mr. Friedman to accept the minutes of the April 23, 2014 meeting as submitted. Mr. Penzine seconded the motion. All were in favor.

MR. RALSTON'S REPORT

Councilman Garrity asked about the work that A-Amp Electric did on the tennis courts. It included some minor repairs and a new timer.

OLD BUSINESS

Windsor Farms/Hidden Meadow

2014 Summer Camp Updates

Registration for Tot Time and Day Camp has ended. There are 320 registered for Day Camp, last year's total was 404. Consideration will be given to restructure the program for next year, as there is a lot of local competition. Perhaps instead on offering one 6 week program, it can be broken down into two 3 week or three two week sessions.

There are 11 registered for Tot Time. All parents are aware that the program is in jeopardy based on registration. A total of 18, would still result in operating at a loss, but would top out the staff requirement. After discussing the situation at length, a decision was made to contact all the parents to see if they could muster up some additional registrations for a total of 18. If not, Tot Time Camp will not run this summer.

NEW BUSINESS

Angle Fly Preserve Parcel Swap

Woodard and Curran has issued a proposal to prepare a Master Plan and feasibility

study for the development of the 11 acre Angle Fly Preserve parcel abutting Reis Park behind the tennis courts. A lengthy discussion took place. The Plan should include what is possible so that there is flexibility to narrow it down to what is practical. It will include fields, a pool and additional parking.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public present.

MR. RALSTON'S COMMENTS

Mr. Ralston wanted to thank Mr. Zattola's son's Boy Scout Troop 228 for clearing the trails and signs at Koegel Park last weekend.

BOARD COMMENTS

Mr. Penzine asked for an update regarding the resident who wanted to put a used sporting equipment bin in Reis Park as his Eagle Scout project. This is still a work in progress.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m. The next meeting will be held in June, on the 25th at 6:30 p.m. in the Recreation Center in Van Tassell Park. There will not be a meeting in July. The August meeting on Thursday, the 7th will also be held in the Recreation Center in Van Tassell Park.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise Schirmer, Secretary
Parks & Recreation Board

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Superintendent of Parks & Recreation
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