TOWN OF NORTH CASTLE Parks & Recreation Advisory Board ("PRAB") Minutes of July 7, 2015 Meeting

In Attendance: Joe DiMauro, Susan Lichten, Karl Hinrichs, Frank Lattarulo, Dan Zenkel, Norma Hill, Steve D'Angelo, Matt Trainor, Lisa Larsen

Absent: Charlene Decker

Minutes from the May 5th meeting were accepted and approved.

Wampus Brook Park South Report

Matt Trainor will have a meeting later this week to finalize aesthetics on side closest to Maple Avenue to firm up landscaping items. Work will begin in the fall.

General Repairs

Park staff has been watering ballfields with their own watering truck. They have also been working on trees and shrubbery on the side of Hergenhan. One condenser at the North Castle Community Center was replaced today and another condenser will be replaced next week. We are getting the pool camp ready and working on general everyday issues. There is a request to put a receptacle at entrance to Wampus Brook Park at Bedford Road and to move the doggie bags back to the original crosswalk.

North Castle Pool

Handout was distributed showing 1,439 individual card holders totaling 440 unique families; \$177,500 in revenue just on pool passes sold, already met revenue budget. Capital costs are going to be higher this year. We had to do a lot of plumbing and electrical work just to get building to code and had to replace control system on chlorinators - huge savings in chlorine.

Camp 2015

Handout distributed. Enrollment is a little low primarily not knowing if there would be a pool, and not having the week off between school ending and camp beginning. We think high 200's is the new normal enrollment numbers instead of 300's.

Gazebo Repairs

Bid has been awarded; work will start in a week or two. Final cost is \$251,600 - insurance will cover everything. Completion time is three months, approximately November 2015. The cider and donut festival will have to be relocated.

IBM Project and Schedule

Asbestos abatement is complete. We are trying to keep under \$20,000 mark with work so we don't have to go out to bid.

Review of Budget

Budget process will start in the next month or so. It's good timing because the pool and camp numbers will be in.

New Projects

Revisit topic in September.

Conditions of Fields - Field Maintenance Programs

Frank Lattarulo reported that there is a lot of new blood on the ABL Board. ABL's numbers are down, they have put a lot of money into fields, and they don't have a lot of interest to fund more fields. ABL wants to dedicate Town Hall field to J.R. Cassone and they want a guarantee that this field will be around for a while. Steve D'Angelo and Angelo Zaccagnino need to talk regarding numbers.

ABL priorities - at least a back drop at IBM 1 and Town Hall field. No fertilization of fields was done in the spring due to the late thaw and dry spell; this work is on the agenda for fall.

Next meeting is Tuesday, August 4th at 6:15 PM.