

TOWN OF NORTH CASTLE
Parks and Recreation Advisory Board
Minutes of March 6, 2012 Meeting

In Attendance – Joe DiMauro, Susan Lichten, Bonnie Tumminelli, Tony Milone, Bernadette Valcich, John Cronin, Susan Snyder, Lisa Larsen

Guests – Rocco Troiano, Tom Grotta, Frank Lattarulo

Minutes from February meeting were approved.

Swimming Facility for Camp

- The Ehrman pool will open for this season. There is a private buyer; not sure what will happen after this season.
- There is an opportunity for gradual payback to bond holders.
- The ALE Board is taken out of the equation; there will be new management.

Defibrillators at Ball Fields

- LAX wants AED's. They feel it is a necessity to have 10 portable units for each of their teams at a cost of \$1,200 each. It would be very difficult for teams to share units.
- ABL said the units can be stored at the Lombardi/Clark clubhouse; they are the size of an ipad.
- Because of gel in the unit, it cannot be stored above or below certain temperatures.
- LAX looking to purchase 10 units, it would be ideal for each coach to have one to travel with to away games as well.
- Joe DiMauro sees this as a problem; too difficult to control security and sign out.
- Rocco Troiano said the cost is astronomical with the number of coaches they have.
- Rocco said ABL spring games are home; the teams travel in the summer but he would think it is the responsibility of each Town to have their own.
- Units last a long time; pads are replacement parts; recharge battery every 3 years; pretty well self-contained.
- The rec department did not budget for purchase of any defibrillators.
- John Cronin said we should have one at IBM, one at Clark and one in NWP Clove Road. He will talk with Town Board.
- ABL and LAX can work something out together about the finances.
- Tom Grotta, LAX, is going ahead with the purchase of 10 units. They will try to raise money from the LAX community or raise prices next year.
- A motion was passed to get 3 to 5 AED's in various field locations.

Spring/Summer Brochure is Online

- We have printed 75 copies of the brochure in black and white on our recreation copier.
- We have to pay per page; it is costly; we will try to encourage people to print from their own computers or view online.
- Liz keeps the seniors well informed with a detailed monthly newsletter and calendar.

Betsy Sluder Map

- Clerk's office was asking us if we had a map of this property to be placed in a bin for people to pick up and use as they hike the trails. Clerk's office said that the Rec Board had one at some time.
- Sue found one in a file that she showed to the Board.
- John Cronin said that Adam Kaufman can create a map.

CVS Parking Lot – creation of means of egress to Hergenhan parking lot

- John Cronin met with CVS and asked if they would allow the pass through for the driveway; they did not object but they did not agree either. John thinks they will agree but this will be addressed as the plans are reviewed. This is a good idea because traffic will be worse once Armonk Square opens up.

Armonk Softball League – Girls Softball League

- John McNamara will no longer be running this program.
- Jerry Stroud has a good candidate, Paul, who will be running this program.
- Sue and Jerry met with Norm Michaels who is the head of Katonah-Bedford league. He does schedules, get umpires, gets uniforms, etc...

Park and Recreation Facility Repairs and Improvements – prioritize

- Sue and Don came up with a list of improvements highlighting crucial ones, either safety or repair related that need to be done sooner rather than later.
- Howard Arden asked the Rec Board to prioritize the list of improvements; there is some subdivision money available.
- IBM Community Park roof has been leaking for 12 years. The space is used for restrooms, Artmonk Studios and camp in the summer.
- We have been renting trailers every year at a cost of \$10,000+. We need 6,000 sq. ft. for camp.
- Do we fix the roof and rent trailers?
- Do we fix the roof and purchase trailers?
- Do we do a major renovation and add on to the existing structure.
- We must prioritize and certainly do things for safety concerns.
- Sue would like to have a decision and in place for next summer 2013 camp season.
- The consensus is to do roof at Community Center, roof at Community Park and the gazebo floor at Wampus Brook Park.

Formation of Specific Committees

- Fields and Parks – Tony Milone
- Teen Activities – Susan Lichten and Bernadette Valcich
- Computers and Online Registration – Bonnie Tumminelli
- Program Advertising – George Alvarez
- Friends of North Castle Parks – Sue added this committee. Joe DiMauro needs to look into this.

Next meeting is Tuesday, April 3rd at 6:15pm.