

Charlemont Park and Recreation Commission
Meeting Minutes
March 1, 2007

Present at Meeting: John Albee, Jean Brisson,
Todd Gerry
Late Arrival :Robert Engstrom

Meeting convened at 6:15pm

Old Business: Commission discussed and reviewed at length the new application to rent the Fairgrounds. The application was accepted by the Board of Selectmen contingent on an acceptance from Mick our Town's insurance representative.

Mick Garrould approved the use of the new application with the recommendation on Section 5 that we put a requirement of \$1,000,000.00 in liability coverage.

Tennis Courts, and Ballfields are not included at this time. Per the Board of Selectmen there is a 99 year agreement with the school to maintain and do upkeep on the ball fields behind the school.

The well at the fairgrounds has been refracted and according to Dave Gagne the output has gone from about a gallon per minute to more than 8 gallons a minute. He is going to add a well pump which will be totally covered by the grant that the FOF has received.

Dave Gagne requested a letter of recognition and a plaque at the well site, in lieu of monies. The Commission unanimously agreed to acquire and pay for said plaque. Todd will have Kevin Crowningshield create an appropriate memento at minimal cost.

Letter to Paul Fantucchio was signed by all commissioners and will be sent to Paul with copies to the BOS, FOF, and YDD.

New Business: Need for Park and Recreation Commission to shore up the north and south corners of the grandstands. Earl Bowen has paid for the timbers, which were initially cut too short. New Timbers are available and awaiting Sean Rancort's availability to cut them to the proper length. Todd will follow up with him.

Action Items:

Park Street Sign: Todd will follow up with Gordon Hathaway to check the status of installation of a State sign at the bottom of Park Street.

Clean up: metal and scrap on edge of fairgrounds. Todd has agreed to check with abutter to make sure that the removal of the debris is acceptable to him, and will notify the Park and Recreation Commission of the outcome of that conversation.

Junk Removal: A motion was made to ask JC Albee if he would remove all the metal and junk from the property no later than June 15th. The motion was unanimously approved. John Albee will keep us posted on progress.

Pavillion: Main focus for the Fairgrounds this year is to get the pavilion in the center of the fairgrounds built.

Water Tank: The Commission unanimously voted to permit the Fire Department, per Ken Hall's request to utilize a corner of the fairgrounds to house a water storage unit.

Septic System: The commission unanimously agreed that a small fence or some other light weight barrier needs to be erected to keep cars, trucks and trailers from driving over the septic system.

DOC Workers: Friends of the Fairgrounds have asked that the Park and Recreation Commission elicit assistance from the Department of Corrections for grounds clean-up. Jean will contact Dave Lanoy to find out the process.

The next Park and Recreation Commission meeting is scheduled for March 29, 2007 at 6pm. Bob Engstrom will take care of the notifications/postings.

Meeting adjourned at 7:35pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Park and Recreation Commission
John Albee , Jean Brisson, Thomas Campbell, Robert Engstrom and Todd Gerry Jr

Cc: Kathy Reynolds Secretary to the Boards
Linda Wagner, Town Clerk
Cheryl Handsaker, Webmaster