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OFFICE OF THE  
Park and Recreation Commission

**MINUTES**  
**April 26, 2009**  
**7:00 p.m.**  
**Town Garage**

Present: Jean Brisson, Chuck Bellows, Rick Mullen, Cathy Buntin, Guests Evie Locke representing American Whitewater Association and Helen Carcio of Charlemont.

- I. Minutes from 3/22/09 were reviewed and approved unanimously.
- II. Evie Locke presented information about an upcoming facility request to hold the local Riverfest Event at the Charlemont Fairgrounds. She will be submitting a request for use of the grounds and facilities for July 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>. A request for alcohol sales will be included.
- III. Treasurer's Report was presented by J. Brisson, voted and approved.
- IV. Helen Carcio presented information about her new Business- "The Great Outdoors" on Main Street, scheduled to open May 23<sup>rd</sup>. She also stated, she is now part owner of the parcel behind the Post Office, which includes riverfront. She asked the Park and Recreation Commissioners if there may be some interest on behalf of the Town to purchase the property for public access to the river. Commissioners stated they will discuss the matter and referred Ms. Carcio to the Selectman for further inquiry.
- V. Facility requests were reviewed. The request by the Friends for Yankee Doodle Days was tabled and returned to include dates of set up and clean up. A request from a Boy Scout Troop to camp at the Fairgrounds 2 nights in June was denied. The Commission feels the facility is not equipped for camping but will look into providing those accommodations in the future. C. Buntin will notify the troop and provide them with a list of other options.
- VI. Old business-  
Mowing Bid – J. Brisson has contacted Carl's who will continue to mow until July 1 and prepare the new 2 year bid. Commissioners approved J. Brisson to update and call last year's bidders to collect bids.  
Grandstand Historic Nomination update- no update.  
Dates for cleanup-Fairgrounds- not set yet. J. Brisson is waiting for response from DOC requesting their assistance.

- VII. New business- J. Brisson will send thank you notes to persons and businesses who donated goods and monies for the Easter Egg Hunt.
  
- VIII. The Commission reviewed a request from the Yankee Doodle Days Committee to add a Beer Tent as part of the Fair offerings. The request was denied with a 3-1 vote.  
C.Buntin will notify the Committee of the decision.
  
- IX. Expenditures were approved for Rick Mullen to purchase supplies including copper pipe to fix a bathroom at the Fairgrounds and for clamps to secure the batter's warm up box installed earlier tonite behind the Hawlemont School. Expenditures of approximately \$50 were approved.
  
- X. A motion was approved to continue using Berkshire Enviro Labs for the Fairgrounds water testing.
  
- XI. Correspondence was received from the State Executive Office of Environmental Affairs regarding upcoming programs C. Buntin will review.
  
- XII. Adjournment 8:55 p.m.  
Next meeting date: Monday, May 18<sup>th</sup>, Town Garage, 7 p.m.