



PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION MINUTES

May 9, 2008

5:30 p.m.

Charlemont Fairgrounds and Charlemont Inn

Present: Jean Brisson, Bob Jillson(outgoing commissioner), Dave Cunningham, Rick Mullen (new commissioner), Cathy Buntin, Bill Coli (representing Historical Commission), Bob Engstrom

- I. Minutes from 4/14/08 accepted as written.
- II. Treasurer's Report- approved payment of \$59.64 for new Fairgrounds padlocks and keys.
- III. Bob Jillson thanked for his term of service to the Town.
- III. Election results- Dave Cunningham was elected to a 5 year term, Rick Mullen elected to a 1 year term as Commissioners.
- IV. Re-organization of Commission- tabled until further meeting.
- V. Old business-
Mowing Bid review and award- Carl's 4 Seasons has been notified of his bid award and will send a contract for mowing May – October of 2008.

Northern Construction- stump removal- Jean Brisson and Rob from Northern walked the Fairgrounds property and counted over 70 stumps which should be removed. There are too many for Northern to remove as part of our agreement but they will work with Commissioner Brisson to remove as many as possible.

Grandstand Historic Nomination update- Bill Coli spoke with representative from FRCOG regarding Getting financial or personnel support to research grants to cover nomination work. They advised no changes until then to any of the buildings.

Grandstand stabilization update- Bob Jillson and engineer Dave Vreeland met for 4 hours at the fairgrounds, inspecting the Grandstands. The verbal report was that the Grandstands are in fairly stable condition, though a flooring joint needs attention and something should be done around the old flagpole to redirect rain from following pole down into roof and building. Bob will request a written report from Mr. Vreeland for which there will be a charge.

Dates for cleanup-Fairgrounds, tennis courts- line painting & net up. Rick will call Clyde to do.

- VI. New business- Bill Coli requested side boards that were removed from Bissell Bridge that are stored under pavilion be saved though they may not have use for the Town. He suggested, at the least the Town sells the boards. J. Brisson will approach the Selectman with that idea.
Review of Facility Rental Application and Fees- tabled

Review of new requests- Boy Scout request approved IF a BOH permit is approved and if they commit to a project at the Fairgrounds sometime this season. C. Buntin will contact them.

Property damage at Fairgrounds- Commissioners inspected damage. Dave Cunningham will research replacement costs for EXIT signs, lights and extinguishers ruined.