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OFFICE OF THE
Park and Recreation Commission

MINUTES
September 15, 2008
6:00 p.m.
Charlemont Fairgrounds

- I. Present: Commissioners Jean Brisson, Cathy Buntin, and Chuck Bellows. Visitors were Ken Hall, Tami Hicks and Bob McLean from Friends of the Fairgrounds and Bill and Norma Coli representing the Historical Commission.
- II. Ken Hall read a letter from the Friends Group. They voted to turn over the picnic tables at the Fairgrounds, the locks and cables to secure them and responsibility for maintenance, repair and replacement to the Town. Commissioners thanked the FOF for their support and donation to the town. FOF will have use of the tables for any of their needs at any time. Both groups will coordinate for scheduling of use of the tables. (copy of letter placed on file)
- III. Minutes from 7/7/08 and 7/22/08 will be placed on next agenda when quorum of members attending those meetings will be present.
- IV. A Treasurer's Report was presented. Bills for Carl's Four Seasons for \$500, Avery's for \$341.28 and Cowan Auto Supply \$116.45 and Taylor Rental for \$225.00 were approved for payment. (copy of report placed on file)
- V. Old business-
 - Mowing Schedule / continuation of contract- Mowing is done for the year and bills submitted.
 - The Coli's gave an update on Fairgrounds Historical Nomination . Massachusetts Historical Commission has offered to fund development of the nomination of the Fairgrounds which is estimated to cost \$2,500-\$3000. Charlemont Historical Commission is requesting written support from the Park and Recreation Commission to the Mass. Historical Commission to proceed with this process. The Park and Recreation Commission will send a letter.
 - Grandstand stabilization report written report was received and the bill approved for payment at the recent special town meeting (as it was an FY'08 bill received past payment deadline)
 - DOC work update- J. Brisson and D. Cunningham coordinated supplies and tasks with the DOC who was able to accomplish staining of the back and sides of the Exhibition Hall and painting of the wooden rail fencing around the Fairgrounds. They also put up the net at the Tennis Courts. The DOC workers are available 9/30/08 and 10/1/08 if funds are still available for more supplies. The Commission will review at their next meeting on 9/29/08.
- VI. New business
Review of new requests- FOF will submit formal request for cosponsorship of Tag Sale to be held at the Fairgrounds on 10/4/08.
Fundraisers / programs- Commissioners expressed interest in working with the Friends and Hawlemont PTO for a Halloween Community Event on October 25th. Members will research and decide on 9/29/08.
- VII. Adjournment – 7:20 p.m.
Next meeting date: 9/29/08 at the Charlemont Inn.