

**TOWN OF BRATTLEBORO  
RECREATION & PARKS DEPARTMENT  
BOARD MEETING  
October 21, 2013**

The Brattleboro Recreation & Parks Board met on Monday, October 21, 2013 at the Gibson Aiken Center in the Conference Room.

The meeting was called to order by Peggy DeAngelis at 6:00 p.m.

Attending were board members, Bonnie Carr, Sam Rowley, Betsy Gentile, Renee Woliver, Marty Rancourt, Peggy DeAngelis, Director Carol Lolatte and Administrative Assistant Kim Isaacsen.

Motion to approve the September minutes was made by Renee Woliver and 2nded by Sam Rowley, all members voted in favor and the minutes were approved as written.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**WEST RIVER PARK UPDATE:** The next committee meeting is scheduled for November 4<sup>th</sup>. Carol is getting pricing to complete septic system, to build a building that will have rest rooms and concession stand, and a playground structure. The committee is looking for a unique play structure that will fit into a 23 x 23 area. The soccer program used the full park this fall; they were able to have 3 to 4 games at the same time. Parking lines were painted in parking areas to help accommodate all the parking needed for this large program.

**RINK COMPRESSORS:** The Rink Committee held a meeting on October 21<sup>st</sup>. This was the Committee's third meeting; Rick Sullivan is the Committee Chair. Brad Oaks from Vermont Commercial Refrigeration did a site evaluation and met with the Rink Committee to give recommendations about the future options for our rink. One of the options that the Committee needs to consider is, can the equipment currently in place be fixed and if it is fixed how long will it last. If the Committee suggests moving away from R-22 refrigerant it will need to be determine what other forms of refrigerant can or should be used.

**POOL ENGINEERING SERVICES:** Carol meet with the engineers on October 17<sup>th</sup>, she is waiting to hear back from them.

**ESTEY GAZABO:** Carol is getting 3 quotes to fix pillars and decking. Current budget has \$6000.00 to use toward these repairs.

**SKATEBOARD UPDATE:** The Committee is looking at cutting the overall size of the project. The DRB permit has expired; the Committee will need to go back to the DRB, Schoolboard and Selectboard to re-new the permit. The Selectboard reviewed the downsize request and decided to table the discussion at the last meeting and reopen discussion at the November 5<sup>th</sup> Selectboard meeting. The Rec & Parks Board members had a lengthy discussion about what the Selectboard might decide at the November 5<sup>th</sup>

meeting. If Selectboard decides to go forward with a Site Selection Committee, Carol would represent the Town on the Committee.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **PROGRAM REPORT:**

- The Gibson Aiken Center will begin evening and weekend programs on October 21st; these programs include youth and adult programming and Open Gym & Game room.
- The Skating Rink will open October 26<sup>th</sup>.
- Women's and Men's League Basketball programs start the week of October 21<sup>st</sup>.
- The Horribles Parade is scheduled for Halloween October 31<sup>st</sup>.
- The soccer season will be ending on October 26<sup>th</sup>, the program was held at West River Park.

**SKI & SKATE SALE:** Jake Dixon has been making calls for volunteers for the sale. Andy McFarland and Jake Dixon will be working on the schedule for coverage at the sale. The Ski & Skate Sale is scheduled for November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>.

**LMP SNOW SPORTS:** The advertising request is still a work in progress; they hope to have something for the next meeting.

### **OTHER BUSINESS:**

**NEXT MEETING:** The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, November 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:00p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Motion to adjourn by Renee Woliver, 2nded by Peggy DeAngelis at 6:45.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Kim Isaacsen*

Kim Isaacsen, Administrative Assistant