

**TOWN OF BRATTLEBORO
RECREATION & PARKS DEPARTMENT
BOARD MEETING
November 19, 2012**

The Brattleboro Recreation & Parks Board met on Monday, November 19, 2012 at the Gibson Aiken Center in the Conference Room.

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

Attending was board members, Peggy DeAngelis, Renee Woliver, Sam Rowley, Betsy Gentile, Bonnie Carr, Director Carol Lolatte, Assistant director Jessy Cudworth and Administrative Assistant Kim Isaacsen.

Motion to approve minutes for October 10, 2012 meeting made by Peggy DeAngelis seconded by Betsy Gentile, minutes for October meeting were approved as written.

OLD BUSINESS

WEST RIVER PARK UPDATE: Betsy reported that WRCC has been given plans for maintenance shed, students will be working to cost out project. Estimate will include materials, concrete and labor only.

The committee is scheduled to meet on Tuesday November 20th at 6:00 pm items to be discussed are projects, grants submitted to C&S Wholesale and Proctor & Gamble. Other grants that have not been awarded yet are the State of Vermont Building and Grounds Grant and Entergy.

Bid opening for the fencing will be on Wednesday November 21st at 10:00a.m.

CAPITAL PROJECT UPDATE: Staff continues to work with registration software. We are receiving positive feedback from community about the registration software.

We have contracted with Keene Monuments for \$2500.00 to re-set some headstones at Prospect Hill Cemetery & Morningside Cemetery.

SKATEBOARD UPDATE: Both 2nd and 3rd meeting with design firm have been held; the 2nd meeting included a site walk at Crowell Playground. As soon as final design planed are received from Mike McIntrye they will be forwarded to the committee.

The committee continues with fundraising efforts.

The committee had questions about moving the play structure before beginning work on the project, committee does not want moving/replacing the play structure to interfere with moving project forward. Until all funds are in place play structure will not be replace.

NEW BUSINESS

PROGRAM REPORT:

- Youth Basketball participants have increased.
- Adult Basketball numbers had decreased.
- Horribles parade participants decreased due to the storm.
- Senior Health Expo was great; there were 70-80 participants and several new people in the building.
- Thanksgiving dinner in senior center had 123 attendees.
- Planning Holiday activities (Mini Camp, Bowling, Hockey Clinic, Basketball Clinic, and Movie Day)
- Santa's visit is scheduled for December 1st
 - WRCC is making cookies for decorating.
 - Robb Farm will be bringing Santa to Gibson Aiken Center.
 - Santa will be escorted by Brattleboro Fire and Police.
 - BUHS band will meet Santa at Gibson Aiken Center.
 - We have new person in the role of Santa.

OTHER BUSINESS

SKI, SKATE SALE: Gross sales were \$3686.00, seller received 80% of sale price and the remaining 20% is split between the Brattleboro Outing Club and Recreation and Parks. We received over 350 items for the sale.

BUDGET: Budget meetings continue two capital items have been cut the windows at the Gibson Aiken Center and the boiler for the Rink. Still have no direction to other cuts that may be made.

VACATION: Carol has a 2 week vacation scheduled she will be gone from December 24th to January 4th. Jessy Cudworth and Paul Ethier will split responsibilities while Carol is away.

HOLIDAY MEETING: Peggy DeAngilis has offered to host the Holiday gathering at her house 177 Carriage Hill Rd on December 14th at 6:00p.m. Carol will contact board members not present at meeting.

ICE TIME: Some concerns were raised about how ice time is being used. Board is interested in hearing from other groups who use ice. Prime ice time is given to youth first adults are given later time slots. No changes can be made at this time; however Carol recommended that team representatives attend the July meeting when ice time is being assigned. The Board would like to discuss further at the January meeting.

NEXT MEETING: The next regular meeting is scheduled for Monday, January 14th at 6:00p.m.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion to adjourn by Betsy Gentile, 2nded by Renee Woliver and Bonnie Carr at 6:45.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kim Isaacsen

Kim Isaacsen, Administrative Assistant