

# SOMERS RECREATION COMMISSION

## MINUTES - Special MEETING

**15, November 2012 7:00 PM** Kibbe Fuller Community Center

- I. **Call to Order** – 7:02 pm
- II. **Minutes of prior meeting (9/10 & 10/9)** – Approved
- III. **Audience/Attendance**
  - Members – Jeff Jablonski, Karen McGuane, Stephanie Gershowitz, Liz Devine, Steve Woicik, Lou Stetson
  - Non-Members – Amy Saada, Todd Roland, Bruce Urbon, Toby Renzoni

### IV. **Coordinator Report**

#### Recreation Commission Report

##### 1. **Tennis Grant for under 10 tennis courts:**

The United States Tennis Association (USTA) is encouraging all public parks to install permanent lines on existing tennis courts to accommodate the new rules for children's 10 and under tennis. This would entail the marking of a 60 foot court inside the regular 78 foot court. In addition, it would include marking a 36 foot court which faces across the existing court and requires a portable net at the current center service line (for ages 7 and under). There is a grant through the USTA that will pay for 75% of the fee, which is about 1600.00 to do all the lines. The town would have to pay \$400. The grant ends in December. For questions on this, please contact the USTA Community Relations Manager, Nikita Zaharrow at 413-244-8465. Conrad McIntire did the courts at Forest Park and is working on an additional 9 courts in Springfield and is willing to do the courts here if we choose. We would have to pay \$400.00 before Dec. 31<sup>st</sup>.

##### 2. **Fall Programs UPDATE:**

**Kara Wolters Dream Big Girls Basketball Clinic-** 35 girls participated.

**TOT Soccer-** 38 participants

**Zumbatomic-22 participants**

**Baton Twirling – 12 Participants**

**Friday Night Zumba Party**-had to cancel due to low enrollment, next session starting 11/23 again and 5 are registered as of 11/15/12

**Fall CO Ed Softball:** 11 teams this fall, 75.00 per team fee = \$825.00

FALL CO ED EXPENSES: Balls: \$135.00

President and VP Fee: \$200.00

TOTAL EXPENSES: \$335.00

**SURPLUS: \$490.00**

**Summer CO Ed Softball:** 13 Teams this summer, 600.00 per team fee = \$7800.00

SPRING CO ED EXPENSES Balls: \$720.00

Pres & VP Fee \$500.00

Umpires: \$5280.00

TOTAL EXPENSES: \$6500.00

**SURPLUS \$1300.00**

DATE FOR WINTER GYM PERMITS DUE BY: \_\_\_\_\_

## **V. DPW Parks Report**

### **Town of Somers Parks Report**

**11/15/2012**

Concerns for the Rec. Commission:

- All fields are closed for the season. The lower park gate will be closed for the season on Wednesday 11/21/12.
- We ask all associations to go through their supplies stored in town buildings. We will be cleaning storage areas this winter and disposing of any non-current equipment.
- We have started installing new trash receptacles. Please remind all users to put recycling in the blue containers and trash in the others.

Update:

1. The Wetlands permit for Town Hall Major's field has been approved; we will commence work the week of November 25<sup>th</sup>.
2. The stockyard behind field #5 has been moved and all the trash has been removed.
3. The drainage basin for field #5 was delivered and we will be cutting the trees down, moving the field back for an April start.

Vandalism Report:

- 10/ 9/12 the new motorcycle spring toy in the playground was stolen for the second time. It costs \$800.00 to replace. A police report was filed. We will not be replacing it again.

- 10/22/12 a new trash can by the upper parking lot was set on fire. A police report was filed.
- 10/22/12 broken glass and burnouts all over the upper parking lot. A police report was filed
- 10/26/12 burnouts all over the lower parking lot.
- 11/1/12 Burnouts all over the lower parking lot.
- 11/13/12 Doughnuts all over the upper parking lot

Respectfully Submitted,

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**VI. Old Business:**

1. Continued discussion re: 2013 Field Usage
  - i. Todd Rolland will send out the “old” field use policy from 2005.
  - ii. Need to submit petition from all sports organizations requesting the town to look into opportunities for additional “park/field” areas to support the growing outdoor sports and other activities for town members.

**VII. New Business:**

1. Expectations for Spring field requests
  - i. Amy/Todd will send the commission the field access request form to review.
  - ii. Need to understand how the form can be improved as it relates to non-town affiliated organizations looking to request field time.
  - iii. Also understand how the form should reflect “tournaments” vs. regular season play and practices.
2. Pre-Winter gym access requests
  - i. Due 12/3/2012
3. Spring opportunities – Follow up
  - i. Opportunity to have Camp Iapo replace the Field rd. camp.
    1. The town is waiting on the state to grant the \$.
4. 50/70 field progress
  - i. Stockyard has been moved.
  - ii. Dry well has been delivered.

**VII: Correspondence**

None.

**VIII: Next Meeting** – Monday, December 3th

**IX: Adjournment**