

Town of Sykesville
Parks and Recreation Meeting Minutes
Monday, June 16, 2003

Present:

Frank Robert Bob Martin Susan Dolan Lynne Ronayne

The meeting was called to order at: 7:00 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

Those present reviewed the May Meeting Minutes. Changes were made to the statements regarding Franks' talk with the Mayor about the pool project. The Committee stated that they needed one more committee member before making a motion to approve the minutes. The minutes can be officially approved at the July meeting.

Public Concerns/Issues:

Lynne needs to follow up with Matt on the status of his approving the **park rules and regulations**, and she said she would definitely get with Matt on the subject after Family Fun Day.

Regarding the "**doggy bag dispensers**" for the entrances to the parks and the trails. Someone from the committee needs to determine a source where we can sample or try-out the dispensers in a couple of the open spaces/parks.

Changes were made to the **Parks and Recreation statement regarding the installation of the basketball court on Caracara Court** to say the following:

The official response from the Parks and Recreation Committee is as follows:

It has come to our attention that a permanent basketball hoop placed near the Springhouse has been erected. Our position is that any alteration made to Town property relating to parks and recreation, must be reviewed by the Parks and Recreation Committee and recommendations forwarded to the Town Council. Each instance will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis.

Due to the problems related to basketball being played in the streets throughout the Town, and in view of the fact that in this case the residents most affected by the change support the addition of the equipment, we are in favor of this attempt to alleviate the problem.

The Committee members present wish to forward the above statement to those members not present and then forward it to Jeannie to present to the Town Council.

Town Council Report:

Jeannie was not present at the meeting.

Committee Reports/Old Business:

The final profit from the **Golf** tournament was \$ 359.49. A suggestion was made to possibly use the money for a donation box for the Train. Talk with Jean who works for the post office about her son building a donation box. He was the one that built the ballot box for Laura. Frank will talk to Richard. Using the money for a train whistle would be the first choice.

Frank has made a tentative reservation at the Links at Challendon, in Mount Airy for Friday, April 30, 2004, with an afternoon start time.

Frank had information from a **pool** management company. It will need to be reviewed at the July meeting.

Programs and Events:

Family Fun Day update:

Lynne has secured all the performers, the pony ride providers, and an announcer for Family Fun Day.

Lynne has requested that parks and rec. committee members help staff the information/raffle table booth for a couple of hours on Family Fun Day. Susan will definitely be available for part of the day and Bob will see if he

can do a couple of hours also. The latest update from Lili, who is coordinating the volunteers, was that she is short a few adult volunteers.

Frank will ask Pfizer if they can supply any small bags for Family Fun Day for attendees to hold prizes, etc.

Lynne contacted the Ping Pong group at Carrolltowne Mall but did not get a very enthusiastic response. They don't seem to be set-up to come out and do any type of demonstrations or displays.

Jeannie is handling all the aspects of the Snack Bar. Jeannie will talk with Susan about using her microwave. Susan suggested Lynne get with Frankie about having a table set-up outside of the snack bar door for additional space.

Lynne asked if anyone could help obtain a few gift certificates for the raffle table at Family Fun Day. Susan said she would ask Brian from the Chop House for a donation. Frank will try and get gift certificates from Blockbuster and Hollywood video. Lynne will get a gift certificate from Ledo's and she already has a gift certificate from Three Treasure's. Jeannie has a boy's bike to donate for the raffle table.

Concerts in the Park update: All performances for the concerts have been set.

There was a discussion about allowing outside vendors to sell food at Concerts in the Park. There has been an inquiry from someone wanting to sell "smoothies, etc.", during the concerts.

(Susan, we had a discussion about how much we should charge a "vendor" to come to Concerts in the Park. I cannot locate my notes on that. As I recall, we were going to tell the potential vendor that they had to pay \$50.00 per concert, but they would have to commit to all 6 concerts. Below is the contact information on the woman that was asking about doing the smoothie stand. I didn't call her back because I couldn't locate my notes and I wasn't absolutely sure what we decided...sorry. Now that we are already into the concerts...I'm not sure what we can do. Also, note that if they serve their food from the snack bar, they don't need to get a food permit approval from the Health Dept. They are considered covered by our permit.)

Kelly Campbell called 6/26/03 regarding doing a coffee/smoothie stand at our Concerts. Her number is: 410-552-5803.

Facilities/Projects:

Cooper Park playground bids are due Friday, July 11, 2003.

The installation of the **replacement parts** for the equipment on Jennifer Way is complete. A small part needs to be ordered that was missing. Lynne will order it. (Note: As of July 21, I am checking to see if Frankie received the "end cap". If not someone needs to contact Steve Lienesch at Taylor Sports & Recreation at 800-644-1897, and ask again for them to send us the correct size end cap. It should be 1 1/2" in diameter. The one we got with the original equipment is too small.)

New Business:

Softball update will have to be discussed at the next meeting.

Lynne brought up how problematic it was to work without having a computer in the Town House. Those present agreed that it was important that a computer was acquired, however, they would need to wait for the entire Committee to be present in order to make a motion to approve the purchase of a computer for the Parks and Rec. office.

In Conclusion

Have we successfully completed last month's action items?

1. **Can Jeannie look into the possibility of the Gazette doing a "regular" parks and rec. feature?**

The next Parks and Recreation meeting will be Monday, July 21, at 7:00 p.m.

CC: Copies via e-mail will be sent to all committee members and the Mayor, office staff and Matt, after they are approved by the Parks and Recreation Committee.