

PARKS & RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Minutes
March 28,2011

A meeting of the Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee was called to order on March 28, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. in Sherrillbrook Park. Those present were: Bill Bonsted, Omar Massoud, John Pryor, Lorraine Garfinkel, Peggy Brady, Deanne Balutis, Marilyn Montesano, Sean Virkler, and Mike Jeffery.

Mike Jeffery began the meeting by reviewing the parks monthly financial statement. Revenues are up \$25,000 in public skating at the Rec Center. Omar Massoud suggested outdoor skating. Mike Jeffery stated they are considering it from December 15th through March 15th. This could be another revenue maker if funds or grants can be secured for implementation.

The summer flyer was then reviewed. Fees were increased in all programs. MVCC will be running four programs in Sherrillbrook Park. The flyer should be in the April town crier.

The Rec Center roof repair was put out to bid. Different types of roofing were researched. Bids ranged from \$78,500 to \$177,000. Mike reviewed the bids and will be recommending the low bidder. He then reviewed the type of roof that will be installed. The bid will be awarded April 13, 2011.

Mike Jeffery then discussed the Veteran's Memorial. The parking lot was approved by the planning board. Mike will meet with Rick Sherman March 30th, to review plans. A June or July construction schedule is planned. Mike Jeffery will be meeting with the state on March 30th regarding on site placement of the sign. He reviewed the sign with the committee, and passed around a picture of it.

The dog run was then reviewed. Registration total is currently at 103 for 2011. Year to date revenue is at \$4,640. Mike Jeffery stated we had some expenses in 2010 because of lightning strikes. Total revenue is at \$16,460. Mike Jeffery stated they might put some straw down, and stone dust to help keep high traffic areas from getting to muddy.

The Rayhill Trail was then discussed. Rick Sherman & Mike Jeffery will be working on it together. Mike will work on grant administration. Mike handed out a map of the extension. The original grant is proposed to be adjusted, and the project will most likely be scaled back. The area in Utica, is proposed to be eliminated. The project has to be completed by the fall of 2013.

Mike Jeffery asked if there were any other items. Peggy Brady stated the winter recreation program went well and attendance increased every week. Bill Bonsted asked about summer employment. Mike Jeffery stated there will be seven laborers and the full time employee's schedules have been changed to cover nights and weekends. When registration starts Mike will assess how many Rec Attendants he will need to run the playground program.

Meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Maureen Owens