

Town of Rib Mountain Park Commission

Tuesday, May 8, 2007

Lette Becker, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Roll was taken - members present were Shelley Hertz, Duane Zeichert, George Snyder, Chuck Kickbusch and Dan Schneider. Berland Meyer was excused. Also present was Scott Schatschneider, Street and Park Superintendent.

Approval of minutes from the last meeting:

The Commission reviewed minutes from the April 10th meeting. George moved to approve the minutes; Dan Schneider seconded the motion. The minutes were unanimously approved.

Summer Program:

Duane will check with Mary Timm regarding dates and her helper for the season. He said that one applicant had turned down the position because the salary was too low. There was discussion as to how to handle a new applicant for the summer program, and it was decided that the applicant would be approved with a recommendation from Mary Timm, and a favorable background check.

Reports:

Street/Park Superintendent:

Scott reported that he talked to John Springer about the installation of the tiles around the pavilion and would like to get the project started. Chuck will check on the engraving so they can be installed. Scott wanted to know the start date of the summer program and asked for at least a one-week notice. Scott also said that the tennis nets at Rib Mountain School need to be replaced. Shelley will order them. The Town crew is in the process of putting the picnic tables together for the shelter. The courtesy signs and "Adopt a Park" signs will be put up soon.

Fund Raising Committee Report – George:

- George reported that the donation plaques for Weyerhaeuser, Habush Law Firm, Abby Bank and the Dudley Foundation for the fitness trail, picnic area and skating rink would be put up in the pavilion.
- Wausau Fitness and Health will be having a fundraiser for the Doepke Park playground.
- George reported that there was \$78,000 raised and about \$53,000 left. The canister drive raised about \$253.00, Car Buff's percent of sale date raised \$488 and McDonalds percent of sale day raised \$376.00. We also received a \$500 donation from Red Wolf Inn. George will ask for the matching funds of \$20,000 from Greenheck, as he feels we have the \$10,000 they required us to raise in our funds for the park

Tennis Program:

Shelley reported that she would try the tennis program on a different date. This will, hopefully, improve the number of kids involved. The last two weeks of June would be the new dates. Shelly will distribute flyers to the schools. Shelley will find two instructors. The Liberty Park Courts will need extensive repair and Scott will talk to Fahrner Asphalt about getting an estimate. A group of people asked about the possibility of putting wind nets up at the South Mountain Courts at their own expense. The committee decided that it would be fine if the school district does not have an objection. Shelley will check with them to make sure it is approved.

Building and Grounds – Team Schedules

- We have received requests from Wausau Youth Baseball to reserve the baseball diamond at Doepke Park, and Wausau Soccer Club to reserve Liberty Park.
- The Wausau Soccer Club would like the fields to make two smaller fields and provide semi permanent nets.
- Dan Schneider said that the Rugby team would be willing to seed the soccer field after their season is done in October.
- Chuck reminded the committee that all clubs must submit an insurance policy to the Town of Rib Mountain for one million dollars that will exempt the Town from liability.
- Scott reminded the committee that the Sanitary District owns the property at Liberty Park and that we needed to refrain from using fertilizer on the soccer fields.
- A motion to accept the schedules for the use of the baseball fields by Wausau Youth Baseball was made by Chuck and seconded by Duane. Motion was approved - Chuck abstained.
- Chuck made a motion to approve the soccer and rugby clubs use of the soccer fields. Seconded by George. Motion was approved - Dan abstained.

Financial Report:

Lette asked if we had any questions about the financial report. There were none.

Adjournment:

A motion for adjournment was made by Shelley and seconded by Dan. All approved.

Next meeting date will be on Tuesday, June 12.

Shelley Hertz
Recording Secretary