

## July 18, 2005

**Present:** Chairman Sheila Anson, Lou Magnoli, Ray Reich, Holly Haas, Joan Gauthey, Joe Fredlund, C. J. Kersten, Tim Cook, Clerk Mary Anne Greene.

**Call to Order:** Chairman Anson called the meeting to order at 7:10p.m. noting there was a quorum present. The meeting was held at the Pavilion. Thank you Holly for the delicious refreshments! Sheila also wished Happy 50th Anniversary to Lou and Jan Magnoli, Happy Birthday to Joan Gauthey, Mary Anne Greene and Tim Cook.

**Minutes: Motion:** to approve the minutes of the June 20, 2005 meeting as presented. By Joan Gauthey, seconded by C.J. Kersten and unanimously approved.

### OLD BUSINESS:

**1. Riverwalk/Pavilion Project:** Joe Fredlund reported the project is pretty much on target with completion and budget. Bathroom fixtures and septic should be installed within the next week or two.

a. Irrigation - project is completed on all three fields.

b. September 4th Party - Helga Hershey has volunteered to work on this. It was decided that 5:00p.m. Would be an appropriate time and the Just Friends Bluegrass Band will perform. This will be a celebration of the opening of the new Pavilion Bathroom facilities and a family picnic.

**2. Little League:** The All Stars have won the Middlebury Tournament and the Junior All Stars will be playing in the Litchfield Tournament.

**3. Beach/Boat Launch:** Ray Reich reported that Dick Sears has met again with representatives from the State. Nothing will be happening this year as far as the new boat launch is concerned. Dick has also met with the State Park Ranger and Hank Vallely to discuss allowing 5 non-resident car-top boats in to the lake a day. The Commissioners have requested to be kept up-to-date by the Town's Administration regarding any conversations, negotiations, details, etc. that have been taking place.

**4. 4th of July:** Ray Reich reported the annual road race was great fun. The fireworks went smoothly. Trooper Steve Sordi will be invited to the next meeting to discuss traffic issues, speeding on Painter Ridge, handicapped parking, etc. There was no music accompanying the shoot this year and some spectators said they missed it. Amplification equipment would have to be rented. The band Flashback did a wonderful job and the consensus of the commissioners was to have them again next year. Ray expressed his gratitude to the Commission, the Town administration and the townspeople for the tribute to his son Major Stephen Reich. Thanks also to Andrew Roraback to keeping his promise of good weather, to Art Crabtree of Tenner's for not raising the price of the t-shirts and to Cindy Brissett for designing the shirts and tote bags!

**COORDINATOR'S REPORT:** Lisa Easter was not able to attend this evening's meeting but submitted a written report:

**1. Summer Swim:** Again a huge success with early 200 children registered for the summer's three sessions.

**2. Summer Recreation Camp:** Registration has been strong for both Sessions I and II. Friday Field Trips are scheduled and guest visitors including author Billy Steers, librarian Marty Smolka, the Science Center, the Fire and Police Departments are also scheduled.

**3. Summer Tennis:** Joanne Kelly was very pleased with the classes and registration.

**4. Soccer Camp:** 47 children are registered.

**5. Pilates:** Classes were successful and it is hoped to continue this program in the fall.

**6. Karate:** 18 students finished the spring session and another session begins July 27th for 10 weeks.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**1. Groundskeeper:** Mr. Osborne has expressed his unwillingness to clean the bathrooms once construction is completed. This will need to be dealt with - hire someone else? A new job description needs to be written and reviewed and then go out to bid for next season.

**2. Coordinator's days off, etc.** It was recommended that when Lisa needs to take time off, vacation etc. that she clear it with the Selectmen's Office and also with Ray Reich as the representative from the Parks and Rec Commission.

**3. New Year's Eve:** Linda Spak has volunteered to chair this event again. Will this come under Parks and Rec? Seed money? It was decided to table this discussion until next meeting when more information may be available.

**CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:**

**1. Chairman Sheila Anson:** expressed her gratitude and pride to the Town of Washington for being the very special community it is and for embracing Ray Reich and his family in such a supporting and loving way.

**Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 8:25p.m. as there was no further business to discuss.

**NEXT MEETING: September 12, 2005, 7:00p.m.**

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Anne Greene

Clerk