

October 4, 2004

Present: Chairman Sheila Anson, Joe Fredlund, Holly Haas, Ray Reich, C. J. Kersten, Lou Magnoli, Secretary Mary Anne Greene, First Selectman Dick Sears.

Call to Order: Sheila Anson called the meeting to order at 6:35p.m. noting there was a quorum.

Minutes: Motion: To approve the minutes of the September 13, 2004 meeting as submitted. By Ray Reich, seconded by Lou Magnoli and unanimously approved.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. River Walk Pavilion Project: Sheila Anson reported that Joe Fredlund, C.J. Kersten and Dick Sears met with Bill Worcester and Brad Sedito to discuss the bid for the bathroom addition and renovations to the Pavilion. As noted in Brad's original bid, the cost of the project could be reduced due to "voluntary alternates" and some of the contractual work will be donated. The cost of the project is now estimated at \$147,000. Funds in the amount of approximately \$47,000 +/- will still need to be raised. Sheila has a scheduled meeting with Linc Cornell and has also been contacted by another Town resident who is willing to help with fundraising to get the project completed. Members of the Parks and Rec Commission will attend next Monday's Village Improvement Society meeting to request funds specifically for the cupola and roofing in the amount of \$10,000.

2. Beach and Boat Launch: Dick Sears reported he has received a letter from DEP Commissioner David Leff notifying him that a liaison has been appointed to work on the projects that are a result of the Lake Waramaug Agreement. Dick explained there will be committees formed to work on the various pieces of the project - namely the boat ramp, boat house, beach house and personnel.

3. Basketball: Joe Fredlund reported the Shepaug Basketball Association committee has met once and is meeting again next week. Try-outs for the travel teams will be held in early November.

4. Old Warming Hut Restoration: Tabled until after the Pavilion Project is completed.

5. Town Planning Process: Town Meeting this evening will "kick-off" this project. Parks and Rec may wish to become involved in the Municipal Project segment.

6. Personnel Subcommittee: Holly Haas, Lou Magnoli, Joan Gauthey and Ray Reich have agreed to serve on this subcommittee which will review job description of the Coordinator and well as policies for hiring and firing summer employees.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Garden Club invitation: The Commission has received an invitation from Addie Roberts of the Washington Garden Club to attend a meeting on Biodiversity.

MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT: Mary Anne Greene submitted a report of program financial activity for the past month. She will prepare a quarterly report of all programs for the next meeting.

COORDINATOR'S REPORT: Sheila Anson reported for Lisa Easter who is visiting her daughter at college. The trip to Radio City Music Hall is sold out; some tickets have been sold for the Newport, Rhode Island trip. Fall swim started last Friday and is full.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT: Sheila Anson wished the residents of Florida well following the devastation of four major hurricanes. She reminded the commissioners of the Town Meeting following this meeting.

Adjournment: There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:15p.m.

NEXT MEETING: NOVEMBER 8, 2004, 7:30P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Anne Greene
Secretary