

Warren Parks & Recreation Commission
Meeting Minutes
January 25, 2009
Warren Town Hall Dining Room
8:00 pm

Members Present:

Dean Ackerman
Chris Brodhead
Loreen Lethbridge
Kit Lundberg
Heather Meeker
Leah Smith
Mary Stole

1. Public Comment –
 - Lindsay Hughes – Ideas for Teen-Oriented Events
 - The Board recommended that she create a Committee of teens to come up with events that would be of interest to local teens and stressed that initially events should be simple and small in scale.
 - Babysitting Course Proposal
 - The Board decided that providing large funding for this event fell outside the scope of the Park & Rec. Board's duties. However, the Board agree to consider providing "scholarship" type funding for a small number families who could not afford the course. Requests for such aid are to be made to Loreen Lethbridge.
2. Welcome of New Board Members – Heather Meeker and Kit Lundberg were welcomed to the Board
3. Secretary's Report
 - Review of Minutes from November Mtg.
4. Treasurer's Report – approximately \$34,226.94 in the account.
5. Holiday on the Hill Recap
 - The event was well received. For next year, we need to fine-tune the music, hay ride supervision (rotating group to ride in the wagon and help people get on and off), and schedule.
 - Leah will send out personalized thank you letters to groups and individuals who helped and include a copy of the letter that was printed in the Waterbury Republican
6. "Going Green" Seminars Update – No action
7. Tri-Town Field Use Request
 - The Board agreed to allow Tri-Town to use the Town Field for practice only (no games) 3 nights per week and one weekend day
8. "Swap-Meet" Ideas
 - Parks & Rec will provide coffee and tea
 - Event will be held on 4/24
9. 2010 Beach Discussion – Management & Guards
 - It was decided that passes would not be awarded free-of-charge to members of Town Committees

- Discussed ensued on enhancing the Gate Guard position to allow for scheduling of guards and possibly selling stickers
10. Discussion on 2010 events and delegation of responsibilities for supervision
- Kit will take over the Easter Egg Hunt which will be held on 3/29 @ 1:00 pm (rain date will be 4/3)
11. Other business
- It was decided that a surcharge will be requested of all Park & Rec activities where there are more than 10 people registered. The surcharge will be \$5 for each family involved per session. The First Selectman has asked that we institute thi surcharge to cover heat and electricity costs.