

Brooklyn Parks and Recreation Commission

Regular Meeting

May 11, 2015

Commission members present : Steve Danna, Kim Conroy , Chris Toney, Cliff Soucy, and Lauren Rossi

Also present: Bucky Lohbusch, Director

Absent: John Don Francisco, Scott Allen, Mike Gaudreau

Public: The Elks Club, Diane Wimmer, FRESH Representatives (Woodstock Academy)

Called to Order:

7:00pm

1. Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes:

Motion made: 1st Kim Conroy 2nd Chris Toney All In Favor

2. Approval of Monthly budget reports:

Approval for the March Budget

Motion made: 1st Chris Toney 2nd Kim Conroy All in Favor

Approval for the April Budget

Motion made: 1st Chris Toney 2nd Kim Conroy

3. Summer Camp Scholarship Presentation:

The Elks and Diane Wimmer, presented a check for \$600.00 to the Jim Boyle Scholarship fund for summer Camp.

The FRESH program from Woodstock Academy presented a check for \$3000.00 for the Jim Boyle Scholarship fund.

The donations allow the Recreation program to continue to provide many children with a Summer Camp experience.

4. Family Fun Day

Family Fun day is now totally run by the Recreation Department
The event is getting bigger and bigger. This year there will be 650 hot dogs and 650 hamburgers served, that will be donated by Walmart.
All the food items at the event are donated.
There will be Moon Bounces, the Rec tent, Teen Center Tent, Rotary Club, State police events, etc.

5. 2015/2016 Budget Update

The Recreation Budget has stayed the same.
The Park Maintenance Budget has changed. The Plow and the sander were removed from the budget and put in the capital fund. The snow blower and the lawn mower were removed from the capital fund as this time.
The capital fund now has a contingency line item of 25,000.
If the snow blower or the lawn mower breaks down during their seasonal use they can be replaced out of the contingency fund.

6. Park Maintenance Update

The new part-time park maintenance employee is Hunter Wood.
He will work from now until around Thanksgiving.
Bucky got quotes from Companies for lawn maintenance.
The maintenance would include 3 applications, Summer, Fall and Spring , including all the fields. The company will take care of all the state paperwork and would eliminate the need for hiring a liscensed supervisor. The total for all the fields and parks is around\$5000.00. True green came in with this price. True Green will also do the town hall lawn, and will be doing the school grounds using organic product. They will use organic product on the softball fields at Prince Hill, where the Brooklyn school team plays This will allow some extra money for over seeding.

Brooklyn youth soccer is donating \$1500.00 towards the seeding of the fields.
Many of the organizations that utilizes the Parks and fields are buying working together with the Recreation department including the school. The town and organizations are cooperating and coming together.

7. Public Time

8. Adjournment 7:35

Motion made: 1st Cliff Soucy 2nd Steve Danna All in favor

