

# **2014-03-13 Recreation Special Meeting Minutes**

Monday, March 17, 2014

Brooklyn Parks and Recreation Commission

Special Meeting

March 13, 2014

Commission members present: Steve Danna, Kim Conroy, Scott Allen and John DonFransico

Also present: Bucky Lohbusch, Director; Chris Boyle, Secretary; Rick Ives, First Selectman; Joe Voccio, Selectman

Absent: Steve Phillips, Lauren Rossi, Dave Guimont, Chris Toney

Public attended:

Called to Order:

7:51pm

## **1. 2014-2015 Budge Discussion and Action**

This is an aggressive budget. This Commission is moving forward with programs that the people in the community have asked for.

Recreation budget: 335,893.00—

Motion made: to authorize the director to move forward with the 2014-2015 budget and present the budget to the BOF. 1<sup>st</sup> Steve Danna

2<sup>nd</sup> Kim Conroy All in Favor

Parks Budget: 115,489.00—

Motion made: to authorize the director to move forward with the 2014-2015 budget and present the budget to the BOF. 1<sup>st</sup> Steve Danna

2<sup>nd</sup> Scott Allen

Projected Revenue: 182,001—

2. 2014-2015 Transportation Bids (summer camp) Discussion and Action

Motion made: to accept the lowest bid for summer camp transportation; awarded to First Student at \$57.00/hr

1<sup>st</sup> Scott Allen 2<sup>nd</sup> Kim Conroy All in Favor

3. Riverside Park Grant and Gazebo Update

The Little League applied for a Grant for 150,000 and the grant was awarded. The town will manage the grant ( mandated by the terms of the grant) The Little League's plan for the Park, that was presented to Planning and Zoning, will still be followed. There will be a memo of understanding signed by the Little League and the Town, to ensure that it is clear that all the equipment and buildings will be town owned property.

There have been open lines of communication with the Town, Commission and Little League, and the hopes are it will continue into the future. The Commission chair expressed the need to communicate with all the leagues and is excited to move forward in the spirit of cooperation.

The Gazebo plans are moving forward. The plan should be ready in a week and will go out to bid.

4. Public Time

A letter will be drafted to the leagues concerning field usage. It is unlikely that the fields will be able to be used by April 6<sup>th</sup>, due to the harsh winter.

There will be a Town Forum on Monday March 24<sup>th</sup> 7pm to discuss the upcoming budget.

5. Adjournment 8:10

Motion made: 1<sup>st</sup> Steve Danna 2<sup>nd</sup> Scott Allen All in favor