

# Town of Seymour Parks Commission



Monthly Meeting - July 27, 2009

Members Present: Ray Faustich, Bill Paecht, Bob Lang, Mike Gargano, Joe Hernandez

Guests Present: Dennis Rozum - PW, Marc Weissman - Dog Park

Meeting was called to order at 7:03 PM by Chairman Bill Paecht

The April 27, 2009 minutes were approved. Motion, Ray 2nd, Bill, 3 in favor, 2 abstentions

May 18, 2009 minutes were approved. Motion - Ray, 2<sup>nd</sup> - Bill. 3 in favor, 2 abstentions.

Marc Weissman asked about the status of the proposed dog park. He explained that a web site is set up and he has approximately 10 volunteers that would help with the project. Bill explained that we have applied for a grant and two possible locations for the dog park are Gary Park and Keith Mitchell Forest. Bob asked if there were any restrictions on the use of the Keith Mitchell Forest acreage. Dennis had concerns with keeping the area clean. We will check with town planner, Bob Looker about allowed usage and town ordinances regarding dogs.

Dennis Rozum reported that Sunday night, someone drove a vehicle across Bungay Field, damaging the right field area. Bill asked that the bocce court and horse shoe pits at the Community Center be built as soon as possible.

Ray asked Dennis to ensure that soccer fields are mowed and lined once per week. He asked that Chatfield Park's soccer field be shifted about 30% to avoid balls landing in the adjacent pond. Mike went over a list of suggestions for improving the Sponheimer Field area before August 1<sup>st</sup> when Pop Warner begins.

The middle school baseball field needs work, especially the warning track and bull pens.

Bill stated that we have not received parks enhancement funds from Seymour Valley Men's Softball and the NABA. If the funds are not received by August 3, the permits will be revoked.

Other areas of concern:

Parking lot lights at SMS soccer and softball fields not functioning  
Debarber Field sprinklers to be turned off on Sundays during football season  
Cheerleaders will be allowed on DeBarber Field, but not in end zones

Seymour Pop Warner's application for use of DeBarber Field, Sponheimer Field, Gesek Field, and the sub varsity field for 4 home games was approved. Motion - Ray, 2<sup>nd</sup> Joe. All in favor.

The Seymour Pride committee has been making improvements to the parks, choosing a different park each time. They recently were at Gary Park.

Dennis reported that skate boarders have been using French Park and have damaged shrubs.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 PM. Motion by Ray, 2<sup>nd</sup>, Mike. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Bob Lang  
Secretary, Parks Commission

