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Town of Seymour Parks Commission



Monthly Meeting – January 28, 2008

Members Present: Dominick Bellucci, Bill Paecht, Bill Stowe, bob Lang

Guests Present: Mike Gargano- Pop Warner

Meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by Chairman Bill Paecht

The minutes of the September 24 meeting were corrected. Mike Gargano, not Bill Stowe, questioned whether the SHS Fathers' Club has exclusive rights to sell food at DeBarber and Sponheimer Fields. Motion to accept the minutes with that correction was made by Dominic, 2nd Bill Stowe. All in favor. The minutes of the October 22, 2007 were read. Motion by Dominic to accept, 2nd Bill Stowe. All in favor.

During public comment, Mike Gargano asked about installing lights on Gesek Field. Bill Paecht suggested that Pop Warner could supply the lights and we would have Bill Jarvis install them.

The 2008-09 budget was discussed as was the 5 year capital plan. Revisions were made to both documents before finalizing them. It was decided to present an overview of the parks and their usage along with budgets and capital plan to the Finance Board. There will be slight increases in the budget for 2008-09, primarily for supplies and maintenance. Dominick expressed concerns with the condition of the parks, stressing we have to increase spending in those areas. The board was in agreement that the increases were justified.

It was decided that the Community Center softball diamond be used as the location of a playscape. The playscape was purchased with grant money but never delivered. We recommend the infield portion of the field be used for the playscape as well as the location of bocce courts and horseshoe pits.

Bill Paecht informed the commission that Brian Pisano had resigned from the board. After a discussion of replacements, it was recommended that either Alex Danka or Mike Gargano fill the position. Those recommendations will be given to First Selectman, Bob Koskelowski.

Bill Paecht explained that our commission should be reviewing all parks expenditures before they are paid. We also would like to have the public works director or some other parks employee at our meetings to answer any questions.

**The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 PM. Motion by Bob, 2nd, Bill Stowe.
All in favor.**

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Bob Lang".

**Bob Lang
Secretary, Parks Commission**