

**TOWN OF GRANBY
PARK AND RECREATION BOARD
Minutes
April 6, 2015**

PRESENT: Brigid Gunn, Chairman, Sue Yucha, Kathy Ungerleider, Abby Roughton, Sue Lasota, Jennifer Bilodeau and Tom Tyburski, Director of Recreation and Leisure Services

ABSENT: Squire Bressor

PUBLIC: None

Meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by Brigid Gunn.

MINUTES

On a motion by Brigid Gunn and seconded by Sue Lasota, the minutes from the March 10, 2015 meeting were approved.

PUBLIC SESSION

None

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Programs Updates –

- Camp registration is open and available online.
- The spring brochure should be in resident's mailboxes in a couple of weeks.
- After School Programs – expanding and doing very well.

Town Parks and Facilities Updates -

- All fields at SBP opened yesterday (4/7).
- Ahrens will be opened next week.
- Two games are scheduled this weekend on the Rover's Fields.
- Holcomb Farm is coming along – they are starting the outside site work. There is discussion about putting a prep kitchen in the new facility. The new parking lot will be paved as soon as they can get asphalt.
- Tom Tyburski and Kirk Severance met with a lighting vendor to discuss the installation of lighting in the park; both coming into the park and along the driveways. They (vendor) also looked at the lights on the tennis courts and think there could be improvements made to them and they would cost less to operate.

New Programs –

- What's Cookin' Jr. Chef – this is a new program being instructed by nutritionist, Alicia Newton. It's geared towards kids in grades 5-8. Kids will learn to cook using healthy ingredients and recipes will be easy enough to replicate at home.

Recycling Improvement in the Park –

- Granby Youth Lacrosse donated \$1,000 to the Recreation Department for the purchase of recycling receptacles at the park a few years ago. Tom said he has been looking for a receptacle that would work the best at the park. The board members suggested Tom call Paines for suggestions. Maybe a sign on the receptacles saying “Granby Recycles” will encourage more people to throw their recyclables in them. Tom said he would ask Public Works if, for the most part, patrons are throwing things away in the proper bins.

Summer 2015 – Special Events Update –

- Summer concerts:
 - July 9th – Soul Sound Review. The Board will also be hosting their annual Ice Cream social on that night.
 - July 16th – The Carrie Johnson Band
- Movie Night: *Back to the Future* – Saturday, August 22nd
 - Tom played some songs from a 50’s band called “Daddy-O” and the Board liked them and thought they would be a good fit for the event.
 - Tom is also working on trying to get a DeLorean to put on display for the evening.
 - There will be a bounce house on site for the night.
 - Concessions will be open and selling hot dogs, hamburgers, popcorn, etc.
 - To help offset costs, Tom asked the Board what they thought about getting sponsors for the event or collecting a nominal fee per car at the entrance. They agreed that this was a good idea.
 - Sue Yucha and Abby Roughton said they would be available that evening to help.

OTHER BUSINESS AS NECESSARY

- The Dept. has ordered a utility vehicle for the park. It will be used for events and for selling concessions to the people that are at the other end of the park during games.
- This year’s egg hunt was not able to take place due to the snow still being in the fields. The Recreation Dept. plans on trying to host it again next year.

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Jennifer Bilodeau and seconded by Abby Roughton, the meeting adjourned at 7:50pm

PLEASE NOTE: The next meeting is going to be Tuesday, May 5, 2015 at 7:00 at the Park House at Salmon Brook Park in the Conference Room.

Respectfully submitted,



Daphne Shinder
Recording Secretary