The Monroe Joint Park Recreation Meeting was held at Smith Clove Park, 133 Spring St, Monroe, New York on the 22nd day of July 2013.

PRESENT: John Battaglia  Adm. Chairman
Ann Marie Morris  Commissioner
Rich Goldstein  Commissioner (arrived at 7:40pm)
Debbie Kohrs  Commissioner
Steve Pavia  Commissioner (arrived at 8:10pm)
Joe Mancuso  Park Recreation Director
Priscilla C. Chang-Staley  Park Secretary
Paul Truax  Park Manager

ABSENT: Chairman Tony Cardone, Commissioner Mike Niemann, and Park Attorney Mathew Bennett

Adm. Chairman John Battaglia called the meeting at 7:35 P.M, with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Minutes

Note: The Commissioners suspended the agenda, during #2 Approval of Minutes to discuss the topic of the #3 Privilege of the Floor – Public Concern. Afterwards, the Commissioners returned to the agenda

Both sets of minutes were voted on after executive session when the Board returned to open session.

Privilege of the Floor – Public Concerns

Mac Ellis and Christian Hess, Boy Scouts from Troop#540, were present to observe the meeting, as a requirement to earn a Boy Scout Communication Badge. Their parents, Don Ellis and John Hess were present, as well.

Security

Scott Perry, Vice President of Atlas Security was present. He reported on one incident which occurred by the skateboard park. The incident involved a missing piece of a skateboard ramp which was reported to security and in return they reported to the police. Monroe Village Police investigated the matter and has been in contacted with 1 of the 2 boys accused of the theft. Mr. Mancuso asked that the details of incident (names, addresses etc) be further discussed during Executive Session as the individuals are minors. The matter was recorded in an incident report. Commissioner Kohrs asked if there were any problems involving security at the Tommy Dowd
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Tournament that occurred earlier this month. Mr. Perry stated he wasn’t aware of any problems. Commissioner Morris reported that she was told no guard was at the guard booth one day recently. She also requested that security should have more of a presence at the basketball courts. Mr. Perry stated he will check to see who was on the schedule on that day and will follow up with the security personnel.

YAC Report

Note: The Commissioners suspended the agenda, during #5 YAC report to discuss the topic of the #6 Hockey Rink. Afterwards, the Commissioners returned to the agenda

Mr. Mancuso stated YAC is going well. He’s pleased with the staff but noted, in particular, the Recreation Director and the Nurse. He added the Recreation Director is working hard to provide well organized activities and games. To date $84,400 was collected as income; the projected income was $82,000. To date revenue from trips is $14,200, projected revenue was $14,000. The extended day program is not as full as it was in the past; enrollment has declined for the past few years. 25 campers total are in extended day. Further discussion was had on the topic. Commissioner Kohrs added that the camp is working on introducing more activities for girls.

Hockey Rink

Mr. Truax stated nothing new to report; he’s waiting for information on the Sport Court surface. James Alcide, Treasurer for the Monroe Woodbury Hockey League, was present to speak with the Commission. He was looking to find out how much of a financial contribution the League should make and where the funds should contribute to. He added their wireless function of the scoreboard is broken; this piece of equipment can no longer be repaired due to the parts are no longer available; score keeping is now done manually. The Commission was not made aware of this issue until today. Further discussion was had on this topic. Mr. Alcide readdressed the topics of whether or not the League can fundraise or get sponsorship to help offset the costs of the project. The Park’s Bylaws state fundraising is not allowed. Sponsorship is allowed only when the business makes a donation without posting advertisements in the park. The Commission will continue to look into the issue, including the costs of Sport Court surface.

Park Recreation Director Report

As per Park Recreation Director Mancuso, he reported the following information to the Commission;

1. A copy of June’s minutes for approval (draft).

2. discussed a police report, discussed during the security report; due to the confidential nature, will be further discussed in Executive Session.

3. A copy of the Park’s Calendar for August.

5. A copy of an incident report.

6. The following event request requires approval:

   a. Mr. Mancuso is looking to have a movie night for the YAC campers and invite the public. The goal is a YAC movie night. The movie will be aimed at an older crowd as in the past; it appears that the time is too late for the young kids. Total amount requested is $503.

On a motion made by Commissioner Morris and seconded by Commissioner Kohrs;

Resolved, to approve YAC movie night, to be held on August 2nd, at dusk, at a cost not to exceed $503.

   Ayes: 4   Battaglia, Morris, Goldstein, Kohrs
   Nays: 0

In other matters, Park Rec. Director Mancuso noted that the Zumba classes are underway; due to excessive heat enrollment has been light. The baseball camp will be starting soon.

Park Manager Report:

Park Manager Truax reported the fields are in good shape. No personnel issues at this time. Basketball lights have been fixed. There was approximately $8500 worth of damage; a damage claim has already been filed and paid by the insurance company. An additional $1000 worth of work was performed on unrelated electrical work on the courts. Mr. Battaglia asked for an update regarding the volleyball courts. Mr. Truax answered will work on it after YAC ends for the season.

Old Business:

There was no old business to discuss, the Commission continued with the agenda.

New Business

There was no new business to discuss, the Commission continued with the agenda.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

On a motion made by Commissioner Kohrs and seconded by Commissioner Morris

_to enter into executive session to discuss personnel matters and a police matter at 8:05pm._
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Ayes: 4 Battaglia, Morris, Goldstein, Kohrs

Nays: 0

On a motion made by Commissioner Pavia and seconded by Commissioner Goldstein

to exit from executive session and return to open session at 9:01 pm.

Ayes: 5 Battaglia, Morris, Goldstein, Kohrs, Pavia

Nays: 0

On a motion made by Adm Chairman Battaglia and seconded by Commissioner Morris

Resolved, to approve the minutes of May 20, 2013. After two months having voted on the minutes, the minutes are approved.

Ayes: 2 Battaglia, Morris,

Nays: 0

Abstain: 3 Pavia, Kohrs, Goldstein

On a motion made by Commissioner Morris and seconded by Commissioner Kohrs

Resolved, to approve the minutes of June 24, 2013. However, June’s minutes will be voted on again in August.

Ayes: 3 Battaglia, Morris, Kohrs

Nays: 0

Abstain: 2 Pavia, Goldstein

On a motion made by Commissioner Morris and seconded by Adm. Chairman Battaglia

Authorize Rec. Director to sign a complaint with the Village of Monroe Police Department stating that the Park Commission did not give the youths, who unbolted and removed the ramp base from the skate park, permission to do so.

Ayes: 5 Battaglia, Morris, Kohrs, Goldstein, Pavia

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

Authorization for Motion to Approve and Pay the Bills

On a motion made by Commissioner Pavia and seconded by Commissioner Goldstein

to approve and pay the bills.
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Ayes: 5  Battaglia, Morris, Goldstein, Kohrs, Pavia
Nays: 0

With no further business, on a motion from Adm. Chairman Battaglia seconded by
Commissioner Kohrs the meeting was adjourned at 9:20 pm. Carried unanimously.

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Priscilla C. Chang-Staley
Park Secretary