

- Minutes of the Meeting of the Recreation Commission
- November 9, 2009

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- Attendance: All members attended.

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- The meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m.

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- The Director updated the members on current programs indicating that all programs were going well with the Field House, rink and pool are underway. A course of action on a situation at the pool was decided upon. Also reported was an incident at the opening night at the Youth Center on Sept. 25.

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- The rink opened on Halloween with a trick or treating event with music and treats for all attending. Also discussed was the 2nd Annual Food Pantry Benefit at the rink which will be held on November 20.

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- Youth Basketball is set to start; all permits have been approved by the School Dept.

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- The need for additional space for ongoing and possible new programs was discussed.

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- A discussion was held on the planned repair project on the Town's tennis courts. The Board of Selectmen and the TA will be supporting repairs at the Winn Brook and Pequossette playgrounds in 2010 and 2011 respectively. As part of this project the Grove St. tennis courts will be eliminated. The Grove St. courts have been closed for the past 3 years due to dangerous playing conditions.

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- A discussion was held on a proposed well drilling project at some of the Town's soccer fields. This project is proposed by Belmont Soccer Assn.

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- It was pointed out that the outside sign at the rink was damaged beyond repair and a possible donation is hoped for to replace this sign.

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- The Director gave a revenue report through the month of October. Belmont Youth Hockey has generously offered to cover the cost of the replacement of the defibrillator used at the rink and the Underwood Pool.

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- A rental rate was determined for the Belmont Fire Dept. for an upcoming tournament. A preliminary discussion was held on the FY11 budget.

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- A discussion was held on a revision to the Dept.'s Mission Statement.

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- Betsy Lipson was unanimously elected as Vice Chairman of the Commission.

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- The date for the December meeting was changed to accommodate a retired Commission member. That meeting will be followed by the Commission's annual holiday celebration. As part of this celebration, the Commission will honor 2 retired members, Noreen Millane and Neal Fay.

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- The meeting was adjourned at 9:06 pm