

TOWN OF LINCOLN

PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION MONTHLY MEETING

June 11, 2008

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m. Commission members present were Chairman Kevin Bryson, Paul Hetu, Roy Coulombe, Robert Sylvestre and Gary Stott. Commission members absent from the meeting were Erin Vaughan and David Boyle.

The Commission members reviewed the minutes for the May 14, 2008 meeting. A motion was made by Member Gary Stott to accept the May 14, 2008 minutes as amended and the motion was seconded by Member Paul Hetu.

The Commission Members reviewed the Director's Report for the month of May.

Commissioner's Reports:

Saylesville – Paul Hetu – The park looks nice and everything seems well taken care of.

Lonsdale – Roy Coulombe – The brush along the water front has been thinned out. The poles for the lights have been installed.

Albion – Erin Vaughan – No report.

Manville – Robert Sylvestre – Lots of baseball within the park. Member Sylvestre would like to know if the Town could somehow water the fields to keep the dust down to a minimum. According to

Member Sylvestre there isn't any access to water within the park for watering down the fields. A suggestion was made from the Commission Members to purchase a pump and use the water from the nearby pond.

Fairlawn – Gary Stott – There is a lot of use on the fields and within the skate park.

Limerock – David Boyle – No report.

Quinnville – Kevin Bryson – There is a lot of use within the park. The park sign needs to be replaced. The grass needs to be mowed.

Old Business:

Chairman Kevin Bryson spoke with the Town Planner Al Ranaldi regarding the retention pond in the area of the access road and parking area at Lonsdale. Mr. Ranaldi stated that this was in the original plans. He also informed Chairman Kevin Bryson that at times there will be water in it but not that often.

The Commission Members voiced some concerns regarding the kit for the Pavilion that will be in Lonsdale. They feel that it would have been more practical to construct the building using cinder blocks than pay \$150,000 for a kit with special roofing. The kit also will not allow for future expansion. The Commission Members would like to ask Town Administrator Joseph Almond if the Pavilion could be constructed elsewhere such as at Chet Nichols field as there are no restrooms there and construct a Pavilion out of cinder blocks for the Lonsdale field. This solution would alleviate Chet Nichols' field from the lack of restrooms and Lonsdale would receive a bigger Pavilion.

The field at the Middle School is coming along and there are currently three lights installed.

Chairman Kevin Bryson and Member Gary Stott met with Town Administrator Joseph Almond on the subject of the Conveyance Tax idea. Mr. Almond explained that if they were to take money away from the Conveyance Taxes other areas within the Town would be losing funds.

New Business:

Chairman Kevin Bryson addressed an old dump in Lonsdale in the “Narrows” section at Lincoln Almond field. The D.E.M. is presently working on this situation and they may make the Town cap the area. The Commission Members feel that this would be an excellent opportunity for the Town to add more fields, clear more land and cap the area all the way to the Central Falls line.

The next Parks and Recreation Commission meeting scheduled for July 9, 2008 is cancelled.

A motion to adjourn was made by Member Roy Coulombe and the motion was seconded by Member Paul Hetu.

The meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.