

**HAMPTON RECREATION & COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES COMMISSION  
MINUTES  
REGULAR MEETING  
THURSDAY AUGUST 26, 2010 AT 7:30 PM  
COMMUNITY CENTER**

CALL TO ORDER 7:35 PM

ROLL CALL OF COMMISSION MEMBERS

Present: Bob Johnson, Troy Lake, Gay Wagner, Kaye Johnson, Mark Davis, Dan Meade, Juan Arriola, Gordon Hansen, Laura Petix

Absent: Anne Flammang, Tara Murphy

SEATING OF ALTERNATES

Not required

AUDIENCE FOR CITIZENS

Dayna McDermott, editor of the Gazette, expressed concern that youth sports registration, games, and results are not publicized in the Gazette or town website, and encouraged the Commission to correct these omissions.

ADDITIONS TO AGENDA

Laura Petix: skating rink, Halloween activities

Gay Wagner: special meeting in September to act on bylaws, officers, 2010-11 meeting dates, and 2010-11 budget

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Addition of Juan Arriola to list of members present

TREASURER'S REPORT

Attached

**OLD BUSINESS**

**Youth Sports** (Bob Johnson, in absence of Tara Murphy)

Fall 2010 soccer for children 8 and under will hold registration in September; need to find out exact date and publicize it in the Sept. Gazette and town website. Dayna will hold Gazette deadline for this info. Wider publicity is needed so that all Hampton children (private school, home schooled) have equal access to the opportunity to play. Older children should already have registered with Brooklyn and Mansfield teams.

Summer 2010 basketball camp: very successful, with over 50 children enrolled

Basketball 2010-11: In Grs 3-6, 43 Hampton children and 28 Chaplin children enrolled. We need a formalized system and improved recordkeeping for scholarships awarded from town funds.

**Little River Music Series**

2010-11 schedule confirmed as previously submitted. Addition of Maria Santangelo as performer at MemDay BBQ, fee to be paid out of BBQ proceeds.

Publicity – More aggressive press solicitation, and some street signs in the works. There will be a series brochure again this year.

**Play: The Tempest**

180 people attended the performance. Donations exceeded expenses by \$900, which will help underwrite the December play (see below). Patron party at the Community Center after the play was well attended. Kudos to Anne Flammang for persisting and for running a great event.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Town Hall grounds and playscape - any Rec Commission projects will have to coordinate with the Selectmen's plans for the second community center at Town Hall (STEAP proposal pending). A subcommittee was formed chaired by Troy Lake, and including Laura Petix, Gay Wagner, Doug Stewart, Tara Murphy and Bob Johnson. Gay Wagner recommended hiring a landscape architect to prepare an overall plan for the facility, to be developed over time, as funds are available, rather than proceeding piecemeal as amateurs.

Community Center stage curtain: Commission members have not been successful in getting it working reliably. Gay has found a professional installer through Stitch, a drapery designer in Pomfret, who will install the rod for \$450. Unanimous vote to retain the installer.

Dolls' tea party: Laura Petix to chair. \$10 per child, a Saturday (TBA) from 2 to 4. Unanimous approval of budget of \$400.

Halloween activities – pumpkin carving Oct 30 at the Community Center. Need to recruit children thru school, Scouts, 4H. Next June we will decide if we want to undertake a full Halloween party, bearing in mind any activities planned by HES, PHHS, etc., and thus have enough time to plan a larger event.

Ice rink – to be considered as part of the Town Hall planning process

Christmas Play - to be weekend of Dec. 10, *It's A Wonderful Life*, radio drama format again, directed by Perry Mandanis. Ticket sales will cover some costs. Rec unanimous vote to provide \$650 above ticket sales. Play to be preceded by community potluck supper.

Community Cookbook – concept authorized for exploration. Interested people will meet Oct. 13 (meeting announced in Sept. Gazette) to decide if there is enough interest and to develop a budget for Rec approval.

Hiking Trail Brochure – joint venture with Conservation Commission. First event Sept. 11 at Rad Ostby Forest on East Old Rte 6, 9 AM, public welcome.

Special Rec Commission meeting to be held Sept. 30, to discuss and act on Commission bylaws, officers, 2010-11 budget, meeting dates and related matters.

AUDIENCE FOR CITIZENS

None

ADJOURNMENT 9:30 PM

Respectfully submitted  
Gay Wagner  
Secretary