



## TOWN OF OXFORD

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### PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION MINUTES OF OCTOBER 6, 2014 REGULAR MEETING OXFORD TOWN HALL

#### **Call to Order**

Chair Elaine Raccio called the meeting to order at 7:01 P.M.

Present – Tom Federowicz, Glen Schumitz, Jim Leach, Joyce Silberkleit, Greg Baktis

\*Kenn Maher, and Director Deb Gatto

Absent – Christine Bavone, Kelly Weymer

**Amendment to the Agenda** - None

**Audience of Citizens** - None

#### **Review and Approval of Minutes**

**MOTION** by Tom Federowicz to approve the Regular Meeting minutes of September 8, 2014.  
Second by Greg Baktis. Vote: All ages. Motion carried.

#### **Correspondence**

Deb Gatto nominated Tom Adamski for the ABCD (Above & Beyond the Call of Duty) award given by the CT Recreation and Parks Association. Mr. Adamski has, for many years, volunteered his time to making and maintaining trails, clearing land for passive recreational use. He is a member of the Conservation Commission and Land Trust and has volunteered his time to Parks & Recreation and the Cultural Arts Commission. The award will be presented to Mr. Adamski during the annual conference of the CT Recreation and Parks Association this November.

\*Ken Maher arrived at 7:10 P.M.

**Review and Approval of Bills** – None

#### **Treasurer's Report**

Review and discussion of the 2014-2015 budget as presented by Treasurer Jim Leach.

Babe Ruth sent a payment for electricity at Posypanko Park. It will be reflected in this budget.

\$169 was spent on tree bags for Lily Park. She explained the First Selectman, George Temple was concerned about the trees. Deb Gatto paid the bill, as the bags were not part of the Lily Park grant and should not be paid with the grant funds.

**MOTION** by Kenn Maher moved to approve the Treasurer's Report. Second by Glen Schumitz.  
Vote – All ayes. Motion carried.

### **Director's Report**

Lake Zoar will be drawn down on November 1. Public Works will be notified about any possible work that may be needed around the area.

Trick or Trunk will be on October 31.

Turkey Shoot on November 18

Christmas in Oxford on December 5.

Deb Gatto met with the new Superintendent of Schools, Ana Ortiz. Ms. Ortiz was very positive about the schools and Parks & Recreation working together.

Discussion on the maintenance personnel still not using the van. Kenn Maher said he would install a partition, which could help alleviate any odors when trash is in the van. All agreed there it would be a small adjustment to using the van.

Scott Pelletier tried a sample of goose repellent around Kirk's Pond. As it is working, three bags have been ordered. The repellent is applied in the fall and early spring.

The Commission did not have a problem with the pavilion being rented on October 3, 2015. Normally reservations are not taken until the first of the year, but this is for a wedding.

Review and discussion of submitted plans for a gate house at Jackson Cove. The plans were drawn by architect Joe Calabrese. The building would be 10' wide x 14' long and made with concrete blocks. There would be a door, windows on three sides, and storage areas.

Discussion on installation of a land-line phone. As there is already one in the storage shed, the wiring for the gate house could be done. Eventually, the phone in the shed would be removed.

Deb Gatto is working on having Jackson Cove passes purchased by credit card at the gate house.

**MOTION** by Tom Federowicz to accept the plans for the gate house. Second by Jim Leach.  
Vote - All ayes. Motion carried.

### **Committee and Liaison Reports**

Aggie Park – Glen Schumitz informed the Commission that the Committee would be going out to bid.

**Other Business** - None

### **Adjournment**

**MOTION** by Kenn Maher to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 P.M. Second by Tom Federowicz.  
Vote - All ayes. Motion carried.

FILED SUBJECT TO APPROVAL

Respectfully submitted,



Cynthia Peck  
Clerk, Parks & Recreation Commission

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TOWN OF STAFFORD, CT  
*Angela A. West*  
TOWN CLERK