

Oak Bluffs Park Commissioners Minutes

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April 25, 2011

Members present: Richard Combra Jr & Amy Billings

Others present: Gail Barmakian (BOS/WW/OB Resident), Kathy Cowley (OB Resident), Karon Wojtkielo (Tennis-OB resident), Michael Daniel, John Meade, Mark Crossland

No minutes from April 4, 2011 due to tape malfunction.

Chairman position

- Commissioner Billings nominated Richard Combra Jr to be chairman of the Parks Commission
Commissioner Combra agreed and motion was passed.

Meeting dates/times

- Commissioner Billings made a motion to approve meeting date & time list.
Commissioner Combra seconded and the motion was passed.

Special Events

Commissioner Combra plans on getting the applications to Commissioners Billings and deBettencourt on the Friday before the meeting so they can look over them so they can discuss and vote at the Monday meeting.

Commissioner Billings will be given the applications to review and will return them to the office when she has finished.

- **Washington Park - Midsummer Faerie Festival on June 18, 2011 (rain date June 19th)**
Motion: To approve the event from 11:00 am to 5:00 pm by Commissioner Combra
Second: Commissioner Billings
Motion passed unanimously

Summer tennis program

Commissioner Combra advised that the Town Administrator was away and they would need to have a joint meeting with him to discuss the legalities of contracting it out to Karon Wojtkielo to run the summer tennis program. He said that it will have to be self-sustaining.

Ms Wojtkielo said that the new cranks have been installed; she will be filling the cracks and putting up nets and wind screens in the next few weeks. She does not plan on selling keys but rather charge everyone a court fee. She mentioned that for tournaments that a deposit should be made so as to ensure removal of trash and debris.

Special Events

- **Niantic Park – 9th Annual Vineyard Streetball Classic – July 2, 2011 (rain date July 3rd)**
Michael Daniel said that they would take care of trash removal for the event.
Motion: To approve the event from 10:00 am to 6:00 pm with same fee as 2010 by Commissioner Combra
Second: Commissioner Billings
Motion passed unanimously

Basketball summer program

Commissioner Combra advised that there will be a summer basketball program and they plan on reviewing the fee structure for the program. He will ask Michael Joyce to attend the next meeting.

Public Input

Gail Barmakian asked about the Little League program at Veira Park.

Commissioner Combra advised that there is no formal agreement with Little League and any new agreement would be discussed at a future meeting. He said that when the wastewater project was completed at the old Leonardo property they could begin the work on the new baseball fields.

Ms Barmakian was concerned about the area between her property and the baseball field turning into a parking lot.

Commissioner update

Commissioner Combra said that he would like to have a memorandum of agreement between the Parks Department and the Board of Selectmen that spell out exactly how the Highway Department and Parks Department will interact, what the clear responsibilities of the Highway Department are for the maintenance of the parks. He will begin working on a draft. He continued that the basketball courts would be the next big capital expense for the Park Department and everything is mostly maintenance work.

Meeting adjourned at 5:45 PM

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Next meeting May 9, 2011 at 5:00 PM