

**STRATHAM RECREATION COMMISSION  
MEETING MINUTES  
AUGUST 3, 2009**

**PRESENT**

**MEMBERS:** Tracy-Lynn Abbott, Eileen Bischoff, Claire Ellis, Caren Gallagher, Jan Henderson, Stephanie Ilberg-Lamm, Kevin Peck and Recreation Director Tara Barker.

**GUEST:** Rich Middleton

**NON-PUBLIC SESSION**

The August 3, 2009 meeting of the Stratham Recreation Commission opened at 7:30 p.m. Jan Henderson motioned to adjourn to a non-public session. Motion seconded by Kevin Peck. APPROVED.

**OPENING**

After a short non-public session, the public session of the August 3, 2009 meeting of the Stratham Recreation Commission opened at 7:45 p.m.

**BASEBALL**

Rich Middleton presented an update on baseball. Teams are finished for the season and the board is waiting for parent survey feedback. The next meeting of the board will be August 24, 2009. Fundraising is continuing for both the Cooperstown Program and the new field at Stevens Park. The Fisher Cat fundraiser on June 21, 2009 was a success. After all ticket monies are in they expect to have raised around \$500, while more importantly the Stratham players had a great opportunity to play on the stadium field after the Fisher Cat game. Tara Barker had some suggestions for making the fundraiser even more successful next year.

**MINUTES**

Eileen Bischoff motioned to accept the June 2009 minutes. Motion seconded by Caren Gallagher. APPROVED.

**SUMMER CAMP**

The full day program was not a success this year. Only three people per day wanted to stay at full day, all others wanted to return to half day, so the camp was run as a half day program. Numbers were also down this year with only 25-30 participants per session. Discussions will take place at a later meeting to decide whether we go back to the half day program or try full day once more.

**REVOLVING ACCOUNT**

The account was looked at and discussed. Claire Ellis motioned to accept the revolving account. Motion seconded by Kevin Peck. APPROVED.

## **STEVENS PARK**

A new committee has been reformed for the park. Construction has started. The access road has been completed, the field has been staked out and the grade measured. The next meeting of the park committee will be Thursday, August 6, 2009 and will be a walkthrough of the area.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

- The next United Way Day of Caring will be in September. Potential projects include installation of the new playground at Stratham Hill Park, pressure washing and painting of the Stratham Hill Park bathrooms, laying the final bricks at Stevens Park Playground and painting or sealing the equipment shed at Stevens Park.
- A Fall Festival idea was discussed and will be put on the agenda for the September meeting. Tara Barker will pursue the idea of a joint festival with the Wiggin Library.

## **NEXT MEETING AND ADJOURNMENT**

Due to Labor Day, the next meeting of the Stratham Recreation Commission will be held September 14, 2009 at 7:30 p.m. Kevin Peck motioned to adjourn the August meeting. Motion seconded by Jan Henderson. APPROVED. Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.