Town of Rowe – FY2007
Park Commission
Minutes – Thursday, May 3, 2007 – 6:00pm

Call to order: The meeting was called to order at 6:05.

Present: Park Commission Mike Laffond, Eric Pike, and Earl Carlow; Park Ranger Sean Loomis

Audience: Peter Besgin

Ranger Report:

PARK RANGER REPORT

May 2007

I. Completed Activities

A. Clean-up Beach area, Percy Point, and tennis court (nets area up and ready for play)
B. Dock installation
C. New GPS ordered and is in
D. Park Rules and Regulation
   1. We need to address the dock rules a.s.p.
      a. No person or persons shall anchor or moor any raft or float, nor construct any pier or dock within the limits of the park without first obtaining a written permit from the park Commission.
      b. Such a permit may be requested in writing and presented at any regular meeting of the Park Commissioners. Accompanying such request shall be a drawing or sketch of such installation showing the location, size and method of construction.
      c. **New Version** **No person or persons shall anchor or moor any raft or float, nor construct any pier or dock within the limits of the park without first obtaining a signed permit from the park Commission which will be valid for 1 summer season. Applications many be picked up at the Park Headquarter during regular operating business hours or at the Town Hall during regular operating business hours .**
E. Compass class on May 5. There where 20 kids that participated in the class and the Rowe School Teachers were impressed by the class. I would like to arrange for Walnut Hill Tracking to come up during the Rec Program and do an additional class for the older kids.
F. Fish for the Fishing Derby are coming on May 14. The derby will be at the causeway and all the fish will be dumped in and the derby will be Saturday may 20. We will be receiving around 400 8"-10" brookies, and 3-4 15" lunkers. In the following week Jim Taylor will go up and clean the debris from the culvert so the fish can swim into the lake. Not sure if we should place no fishing signs up.

II. on going Activities

A. Clean up at the dam and browning bench
B. Start heading out on the trails and cleaning down debris
C. Once trails are cleared of down debris will start working on bog bridges on Lake View Trail, and rerouting the Williams Trail around the swampy area below the cut of to the Lake View Trail going towards the Town Center.
D. Matt Crowningshield and I will be heading up to the North West View to selectively cut upper branches to improve the view
E. Would like to order seed for the restoration of the new snowmobile trail? The seed is New England Logging Road Seed Mix. This mix was originally designed for restoring Maine logging roads, but has application on other types of restoration sites as well. Provides native plant cover in low fertility soils. Application Rate: 20 LBS/ACRE (2200 SQ.FT/LB) Price: $22.00/LB.
F. Hiring summer help for 2007.
   1) AR Class 1- Pat Bradley
   2) AR Class 2- have to interview Amanda Brown and Brittney Sprague
   3) AR Class 3- Kenny Bradley
   4) AR Class 4- Nancy Phelps
   5) PT Ranger- Katie Alford
   6) Senior Lifeguard- Martha Compton
   7) Junior Lifeguard- Jacob Smead
   8) Recreation Director- Carol Livley
   9) Assistant Recreation Director- No body has applied yet
   10) 2nd Assistant Recreation- Becca Hobbs, Dana Williams, Tiffany Veber, with a fill in from Zach Shulda
   11) Sports Program- Charles Garbiel

III. Budget Status see attachment

IV. **Miscellaneous**

A. Yoga Class
   1. Juliet Seaver had here first class at the school on Monday May 7. There were 5 participants in the class. Juliet was going to recruit some Heath residents to attend to bring the numbers up. Heath residents will be paying 60.00$ (full price for the classes) If more people sign up for the Classes that means the cost for the park goes down. We're not into making money so if cost gets to low; I think we should lower the cost of the class.

- **Motion was made and second to except the changes to the rules 15 and 16 in the water section of the rules and regulations hand book to read as followed** (No person or persons shall anchor or moor any raft or float, nor construct any pier or dock within the limits of the park without first obtaining an approved permit from the Park Commission requiring a 2/3 vote which will expire on December 31 of each year. Applications many be picked up at the Park Headquarter during regular operating business hours or at the Town Hall during regular operating business hours.)

- Sean will approach Matt Crowningshield to see if the Indian Head Snowmobile Club will pay half of the seed cost for the restoration of the new snowmobile trail that was installed in the winter of 2005.
- Motion was made and second to have the Part Time Ranger Position made 40 hr per week for the month of June (2007 only).
- Motion was made and second to arrange the Walnut Hill Tracking to do a continuation of the compass class during the Rec Program.
- Motion was made and second if moneys are available at the end of the fiscal year of 2007 to have an insulated garage door installed at the Park Headquarters.
- The Park Commission has accepted the new Dock and Raft Permit but to exclude the certificate of insurance section of the permit. Sean will also send a copy to all residents that have previously installed docks or rafts in the lake.

Routine Business:

- **Monthly Financial Review:** *Budget vs. Actual* reports for FY06 and FY07 were reviewed.
- **Minutes: April 5, 2007** were approved as resubmitted.

Adjournment: The Park Commission voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 7:10.

Respectfully submitted,
Sean R. Loomis

Approved:

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Mike Laffond, Co-Chair

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Eric Pike, Co- Chair

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Earl Carlow

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Date