TOWN OF ROWE
PARK COMMISSION
MINUTES, THURSDAY, JUNE 7, 2007

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

PRESENT: Commissioners; Earl Carlow, Russell Jolly, Eric Pike, Park Ranger, Sean Loomis

ABSENT: none

AUDIENCE: Peter Besgen, Lenny Laffond, Dick Quinn

AUDIENCE OF CITIZENS

Dick Quinn complained that a wide swath of about twenty feet was mowed on both sides of the park drive because it cut down native flowers (lady slippers et al). Ranger Loomis said that he needed to keep the roadside neat. The commissioners voted (unanimously)that he cut a narrower swath (of six to seven feet) which would remove brush along the road side and leave the flowering plants in the field

PARK RANGERS REPORT (see attached)

The Ranger's report was reviewed.

- Russ Jolly pointed out that the fish for the fishing derby were put into the water at land owned by Michael Phillips, not on park property as the Ranger's report stated.

- In response to the Ranger's stating that he intended to hire Matt Crowningshield to trim trees at the Mt. Adams overlook, Earl Carlow stated that he believed park employees should be performing this work. He and Russ Jolly agreed to look at the area and recommend cutting that could be done by park employees.

- In response to the Ranger's plan to have the lifeguard's hours be 9 am to 5pm in June and 10am to 6 pm in July, Earl Carlow recommended that, for the safety of the lifeguard, someone else be scheduled to work at the park whenever the lifeguard is on duty. Ranger Loomis suggested that some sort of communication device (walky talky/radio) be purchased for the lifeguard's use as it is not possible to always have someone else at the park. It was agreed to investigate getting radios or walky talkies.

NEW BUSINESS

Board Reorganization: Earl Carlow nominated Russ Jolly to be chair of the commission; Eric Pike seconded the nomination, election was unanimous. Russ Jolly

nominated Earl Carlow as Secretary, Eric Pike Seconded it and the election was unanimous.

The Commissioners requested that Ranger Loomis post at the park headquarters his schedule for each week and he agreed to do so.

The Meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

The next meeting is scheduled for July 5, 2007 at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:_____
Date:_____

Approved:

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Russell Jolly, Chair

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Earl Carlow, Secretary

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Eric Pike

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Date

PARK RANGER REPORT

June 2007

I. Completed Activities

A. All spring clean up
B. All summer employees are hired except for the Assistant Rec Leader
C. Back stop at the tennis courts was taken down because of rot
D. New rope was purchased for the buoys and buoys will be going in the water on Friday June 8, along with the raft.
E. Fishing Derby on May 20th
F. New garage door was installed by Steve Crowningshield. The only thing left to do at the shop is to insulate the walls in the work bay.

II. on going Activities

A. Started the bog bridge on the Lakeview Trail. There will be 2 bridges for the area that we talked about.
B. ½ the trails have been cleared of down debris. Now that the summer employees are here, we will be heading out more to complete the trail clean up and to start cleaning all drainage ditches that are on the trails.
C. Matt Crowningshield and I will be heading up to the North West View to selectively cut upper branches on some of the trees to improve the view.
D. Hired summer help for 2007.
    1) AR Class 1- Pat Bradley
    2) AR Class 2- 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- Need to interview for the position on Monday June 11.
    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