TOWN OF ROWE
PARK COMMISSION
MINUTES, THURSDAY, JULY 19, 2007

CALL TO ORDER: 6:35 p.m.
PRESENT: Commissioners; Earl Carlow, Russell Jolly
ABSENT: Eric Pike, Sean Loomis, Ranger
AUDIENCE: none

AUDIENCE OF CITIZENS: none

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MINUTES: Minutes of June ~~6~~ 7 meeting approved and minutes of July 5 un-posted meeting reviewed and each issue re-visited (see below).

NEW BUSINESS
*On July 18th Sean told Russ he had injured himself h and had gone to the doctor on July 19th and was told he had pinched the sciatic nerve. He was going on vacation for the last week of July. Sean told Russ prior to the injury he was working on the Percy Brown Trail putting a bridge in there.
* Blue Sky was called about locust for bridge timbers.
*The price of $10,400 to patch the tennis court was from a contractor.
*The Summer Rec program begins July 23.
* Weed whacker: the Stihl model is $200 cheaper than the Husquvana so Sean is looking into buying a Stihl
* Commissioners agreed to not allow people from outside the town to use the physical fitness equipment in the Town Hall.
* Commissioners voted to allow people from outside the town to participate in classes or instructions which have room and to pay a fee to the Park Commission unless the person teaching the class is doing it on a per capita basis in which case the fee would go to them. This vote is contingent upon the Board of Selectmen determining that the Town's insurance company would not have any problem with this policy.
*Signed invoice so Carol Lively could get reimbursed for money she spent for program supplies

PARK RANGERS REPORT
No report submitted as ranger out with injury

REVIEW OF ITEMS DISCUSSED AT JULY 5 UN-POSTED MEETING

- **AUDIENCE OF CITIZENS:** Peter Besgen discussed Old Home Day accessibility for people who have a hard time walking to get to lake by car. Sean said they would be able to do so.
- Ellen Babcock said using credit cards for certain things and getting reimbursed would not be a problem. Example: Carol Lively bought a lot of craft materials and was re-paid.
- Talked about petty cash but no decision was made.
- Talked about going to the overlook and to the Browning Bench Tool Factory to check out the work.
- Also talked about having two people being at the lake on weekends and were assured by Sean that there would be.
- Talked about the request for a warming hut at the lake. No determination was made.
- Talked about composting toilets. Russ felt that starting from scratch and building a shed to house the toilets was a better idea than using the old toilet shed.
- Park Rangers report mentioned we had voted to spend $500 for locust and $500 for hemlock. Both commissioners voted to do so at the July 19 meeting.

Minutes were signed.
Meeting was adjourned at 7:07 p.m.

The next meeting is scheduled for August 2, 2007 at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted: Earl Carlow Date: 8/14/07

Approved:

Russell Jolly, Chair

Earl Carlow, Secretary

Eric Pike

PARK RANGER REPORT

July 2007

I. Completed Activities

A. 8 new water bars on Williams Trail. From 500 yards above Sibley Trail to the swampy area on Williams Trail.
B. 2 New bog bridges on Lakeview Trail
C. New Foot Bridge on Pelham Brook Trail
D. All set for Old Home Day HAS been cleared
E. Park boundary signs have been ordered 275 @ $97.50
F. Sports Program will be rapping up tomorrow July 5. There was 18, 6+ kids that signed up and 9, 6- kids signed up.

II. on going Activities

A. Continue working on Snowmobile Trail
   1) Cleaning up debris, and leveling uneven surface
B. Brought lumber out to bridge on Beach Trail
   1) Need to buy Hemlock 2x6 for the stringers $1600.00
C. Swimming Lessons will be starting on Monday - PAYING members + Rowe
D. Weedwacking Trails, should look at getting another weedwacker for the park. - ($620.00) #235 OR 23L
E. Cleaning out drainage ditches on Williams Trail, Sibley Trail, and Davenport Trail.
F. Reroute Williams Trail around the wet bog area

III. Budget Status see attachment

IV. Miscellaneous

A. Quotes for the Browning Bench (FOR UNDER PINNING) Need TO LOOK AT IT
B. Quotes for Tennis Courts - RESURFACE 2 COMPANIES (1) ADVANTAGE TENNIS
C. Heath Residents paying for a membership to use the fitness center (NO)
D. Clearing trees to see the tennis courts from pond rd.