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PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING, APRIL 30, 2008

Meeting was called to order by chairman. Meghan O'Connor at 7:32 P M. In attendance were Bill Pullan, Gary Regan, Steve Poole, Lou Valenti, Pat Morton, Robin Renner, Eileen Earle and Rachel McGrath.

Minutes of the previous meeting were accepted on a motion by Lou Valenti, seconded by Steve Poole, unanimously approved.

There was no public comment.

Accounts payable, payroll and income were studied--but only income since the other reports were not available. There is an increase in income to report and after study the report was accepted on a motion by Robin Renner, seconded by Pat Morton, unanimously approved.

The following programs are complete: Spring Break Soccer Camp (24 attendees); Strength and Fitness for Teens (very successful and two sessions might be scheduled for next year); Preschool Spring Break Camp.

The following programs are in progress but almost complete: Adult Volleyball; Preschool Programs; Ballet; Dance; Gymnastics; Men's Open Gym; Spring Sports; Children's Yoga; Lacrosse Skills and Drills.

The following programs are being planned: Spring Tennis Lessons; Playground Camps; Swimming Team; Summer Open Gym; Basketball Shooting camp (2 day special); Track and Field Series; Tennis Camps and Lessons; US Sports Institute Programs; Chess Camp (still working on it); Boys & Girls Lacrosse Camps; Football Camp; Cheerleading Camp; Performing Arts Camp; Softball Camp; Baseball Camp. BYSA Soccer Camp (still in the works); Road Race (plans are going forward and New Balance is being most helpful with sign ups and information in their stores).

The Maintenance building is going forward at a welcome pace and seems to be going well. Necessary piping will be completed and the supplier will be informed of progress.

Danbury is hosting the Nutmeg Games this year and has requested fields at Mitchell Park for 7/26 and 7/27 and 7/31 and 8/1. We will check on necessary charges for trash removal and clean up and field preparation. Gary Regan will report on this

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The Baseball tournaments are scheduled at the high school and middle school fields 7/5 to 7/12. Parloa field has received a backstop and Mr. Pullan has suggested that an overhang also be installed at that location. More on this later.

A request has been received from American Legion baseball for the REgional 17 and Under tournament 8/2, 8/3 and rain date of 8/4. Two games on Saturday and two games on Sunday. They will be charged \$100 per game. On a motion by Gary REgan, seconded by Robin RENner unanimously approved they will be notified of the approval.

There has been a problem with games running late and emergency calls to Ms. Earle to have the fields lighted. The baseball association will be notified and a schedule will be reinforced so that games running late will not be requesting emergency light-ups.

Thanks were expressed by the Garden Club for the Department's help with the recent Shakespeare Garden dedication.

There being no further business and with a reminder of the next regularly scheduled meeting, the adjournment was moved by Gary Regan, second by Steve Poole, unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,



Peg Newell
Recording Secretary.