

## **Foster Recreation Committee**

**181 Howard Hill Road, Foster, RI**

The Foster Recreation Committee meeting was called to order by John Lewis, Council Vice President on April 21, 2007 at 9:30 a.m. at the Benjamin Eddy Building, 6 South Killingly Road, Foster, Rhode Island.

The following members were present: Cheryl Davis, Ronald Cervasio, David Lopes, Danielle Scott, and Recreation Director Michael Polouski. Roxana Lopes and Kristen Carlson did not attend.

John Lewis read a memorandum from the Foster Town Council dated April 12, 2007. He spoke about the past resolutions of other town councils.

Danielle Scott remarked about the concerns she had on past projects such as the baseball field at the Paine school and joining Gloucester Little League instead of with the Town of Scituate and asked if they would be continued with the new leadership.

There were no minutes to approve.

There was no old business to discuss.

The Town Clerk Anne M. Irons brought copies of the Open Meetings Law and A guide for Local Officials on the Open Meetings Law for the Chair and Secretary of the committee. She explained the posting of the agenda and the format and filing for the minutes of the meeting. Mrs. Irons gave a brief explanation of the Open Meetings Law.

The rules for the committee meetings were discussed and the following motion was made.

Danielle Scott moved, Cheryl Davis seconded, and it was unanimously so voted to table the rules for the committee meetings until all members were able to review and comment.

Cheryl Davis, aye Ronald Cervasio, aye David Lopes, aye aye, Danielle Scott, aye

Elections of officers for the committee were discussed and the following motions were made.

Ronald Cervasio moved to appoint himself as the Chair of the Committee no one seconded the motion and the motion failed.

Cheryl Davis moved Danielle Scott seconded and it was so voted to table the election of officers until or members were present.

Cheryl Davis, aye Ronald Cervasio, no David Lopes, aye Danielle Scott, aye

The plastic lining and the boards that were attached to the horse ring to make the ice rink for winter skating was discussed. It was decided that the lining would be removed by the Public Works Department.

The recreation equipment that had been used for the summer recreation program had never been returned to the basement of town hall from the Woody Lowden Recreation Center. It was found in the attic area at the Wood Lowden and was placed there by the Boy Scouts.

Michael Polouski, Recreation Director reported that he attended the opening day of the Little League with the Town of Scituate. He noted that 500 individuals had signed up for baseball. He reported that he had spoken with the Board of Directors of the Little League and Foster will continue in that league. The matter will be placed on the next agenda.

The Recreation Director also reported that State of Rhode Island rejected the proposal for the plan for the baseball field at the Captain Isaac Paine School.

He also explained that he placed the application for the Summer Recreation Program in the May issue of the Foster Home Journal. He noted that a former Director of the Program was interested in returning as director for the summer program. He noted that the Egg Hunt was a success that was held at the Tyler Free Library.

Danielle Scott commented that the Director that had the job for the past two years did a good job and the program was successful. A discussion was held that interviews should be held by the committee. The Town Clerk would place an advertisement in the Observer & Valley Breeze for the Summer Recreation Director and the members would hold the interviews.

John Lewis remarked that he would have an expenditure report for the members on the recreation budget.

Ronald Cervasio moved, Danielle Scott seconded, and it was unanimously so voted to table the summer recreation program until the next meeting.

Cheryl Davis, aye Ronald Cervasio, aye, David Lopes, aye Danielle Scott, aye

The committee added the following items for future agendas:

1. Recreation Committee / Financial report
2. Candidates for Summer Recreation Director
3. Planning for Summer Recreation Program

The meeting was adjourned at 10:40 a.m.

Submitted by,

Anne M. Irons  
Town Clerk