

Shandaken Parks & Recreation Board
Meeting Notes
October 8, 2015
3:00 p.m.

Call to Order – 3:05 p.m.

Present: Carole Chanler Rob Stanley
 Kathy Williams
 Carol Urban
 Martie Gailes

Minutes - The minutes from the August Meeting were accepted.

Communications, Conditions and Recommendations

- Big Indian Park - No report.
- Smith Park - In discussion with Supervisor Stanley, it was noted that the Town Board had previously approved removal of the dilapidated fence enclosing the tennis court. Carole will seek advice from Josh Construction regarding removal of the fence. The Supervisor indicated that Town insurance would not approve a "homemade" soccer goal.
- Glenbrook Park - Aaron Bennett forwarded three quotes for fence capping. Carol Urban agreed to contact the local supplier to investigate possible price breaks. We will need two additional quotes and a project priority list from Aaron.
- Parish Field - Carol Urban noticed an advertisement posted in the Phoenicia Library for a community class entitled Martial Advantage held, weather permitting, each Saturday in the Parish Field. The field has not been reserved by David Randel, the instructor. Carol will visit the field this Saturday to speak with him, point out the need to reserve the park, and invite him to our next board meeting if he has questions.
- Recreational Holdings - No report.

Old Business

- September Fundraiser - This year's event was an overwhelming success. The new price structure (2 for \$50; kids for free) was well accepted. The attendance increased by 30%. The food was delicious. The setting,

including donated flowers, was spectacular. We netted \$3,052. Thank you letters were sent to Emerson staff including, Emily Fisher, Naomi Umhey, Tony Lanza and Marci Smith.

New Business

Rob Stanley shared a report from the Town's Insurance Carrier focusing on safety issues in the Town Parks. He will need to provide a written response within 60 days. Park managers agreed to take a careful look at the concerns and make recommendations. Rob indicated that the town would pay for necessary equipment improvements and the highway department would assist with installation issues. Rob also suggested that there might be some funding for other Park improvements identified by the Parks Board in this review.

The park managers felt a "group" visit to each of our parks would provide an opportunity to fully grasp the Insurance concerns. Involving multiple managers would also facilitate creative proposals for park improvements.

All park managers are invited to visit Smith Park and Big Indian Park, Wednesday, **October 14**. We will gather at 10 a.m. in Smith Park.

The visits to Glenbrook Park and Parish Field will take place Monday, **October 19**. We will gather at 10 a.m. in Glenbrook Park

Public Comment - None

Adjournment - 4:25 p.m. Carole Chanler moved and Carol Urban seconded.

Next Meeting: 3:00 p.m. Thursday, November 19