



Regular Meeting of the Longmeadow Board of Park Commissioners
Monday, March 9, 2009
Longmeadow Fire Station Meeting Room ~ 44 Williams Street
Longmeadow, MA 01106

Present: Chairwoman Kate Tobin, Vice Chairwoman Judi Threlfall, Commissioner Jim Brennan, Commissioner Jim Russell, Director Bari Thomas and Asst. Director Mary Hannigan.

I. Minutes of January Meeting

Motion to approve the Minutes from the January Meeting was made by Commissioner Jim Brennan and seconded by Vice Chairwoman Judi Threlfall, with the following correction: Commissioner Jim Russell was not present for the meeting. Motion to accept the revised minutes approved.

II. Public Participation – None

III. Financial Statements and Revenue – Both the January and February financial reports were discussed. Motion to approve the January financial report was made by Commissioner Jim Russell and seconded by Commissioner Jim Brennan. Motion passed.

Director Bari Thomas reported that she will report on scholarships and the pancake breakfast at the April Meeting. Motion to approve the February financials made by Commissioner Jim Brennan and seconded by Vice Chairwoman Judi Threlfall. Motion passed.

IV. Community Preservation Committee – Commissioner Jim Goodhines, the Park Board representative on the Community Preservation Committee was not in attendance at the meeting therefore no report was given.

Director Bari Thomas reported that the bid had gone out on the Patio area behind the Longmeadow Adult Center and that the bids had come in almost \$5000 under what was budgeted for this project, therefore there is a little bit of money left for tables, chairs, etc. for the patio.

V. Old Business

A. Michael Myers – Enfield Tennis Club – The Park Board briefly discussed the Enfield Tennis Club's proposal for managing the Blinn Tennis Courts. Director Bari Thomas reported that there are certain areas that need additional programming opportunities and Michael will be able to offer programming at the courts in the areas of teen programming, tournaments and lessons. There are approximately 3-4 private instructors offering lessons at the courts without permits and the presence of Enfield Tennis Instructors will hopefully prevent this from happening during 2009.

VI. New Business

A. Elections for Officers for the Longmeadow Park Board resulted in Commissioner Jim Brennan moving to the position of Vice Chairman and Chairwomen Kate Tobin agreeing to stay on as Chairperson for another year. Former Vice Chairperson Judi Threlfall would like the Park Board to consider other applicants for her position on the board when her current term expires this summer.

- B. Zundall Award Nominations – Director Bari Thomas announced that Dean Kavanaugh was selected as the Zundell Award Recipient.
 - C. The Longmeadow Adult Center will become part of Parks and Recreation on July 1. Director Bari Thomas met with Town Manager Robin Crosbie and Karen Michelman of the Adult Center. Plans are on-going for an easy transition.
 - D. 3rd Annual Pancake Breakfast is scheduled for Saturday, May 16 from 7am – 10am at the Community House. As part of the weekend festivities, there will be a concert, courtesy of Meadows Motorcar with Jimmy Beaumont and the Skyliners on Friday, May 15 at 7pm at Longmeadow High School. Tickets will be on sale for \$15 per person at the Community House. Proceeds will benefit the programs and services of LPRD.
- VII. Adjournment – Motion to adjourn made by Vice Chairman Jim Brennan and seconded by Commissioner Judi Threlfall at 8:06 pm. Motion passed to adjourn.

The next meeting of the Longmeadow Park Board will be on Monday, April 13, 2009 at 7pm at the Fire Station.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary T. Hannigan, Recording Secretary