

**TOWN OF NEWBURGH  
PARKS BOARD  
November 5, 2015 MINUTES**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Mary Anne Wilsbacher, Kevin Reine, Leanna K. Hughes, Matt Timmel, Wanda Kavanaugh

**ADMINISTRATIVE PRESENT:** Kristin Head, Attorney

**CALL TO ORDER**

Meeting called to order at 6 p.m. and held roll call. Meeting took place at the Old Lock & Dam #47.

**MINUTES**

Mrs. Kavanaugh motioned to accept the minutes. Mr. Timmel seconded. Motion carried. The minutes were adopted as read.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Carol Schaefer – Friends of Newburgh**

Mrs. Schaefer discussed the electrical work that will commence at the Old Lock & Dam. She also discussed the Art, Wine, & Jazz Festival.

Byron Sherman & Carol Schaefer met with Vectren to go over upgrade plans for the electrical system at the Lock & Dam #47. Vectren is giving \$8,000 toward the electrical project. The upgrade will be mostly along the water side (adding additional outlets). They can start as soon as a contract is in place. Chris Wischer is working on the contract.

Mrs. Wilsbacher has requested a map of the underground workings and connections from Vectren so that events staff will know where to place tent stakes, etc. without disturbing underground connections.

Mrs. Schaefer indicated she would ask Mr. Wischer to add that to the contract.

Mrs. Schaefer spoke with David Hynes about pulling the parking blocks up for the Art, Wine, and Jazz Festival. He indicated they could be removed for the festival.

Mrs. Wilsbacher suggested using cones to reroute the trail and mark it with signs into the road during the days the area is set up for the festival. Mrs. Schaefer is agreeable to shifting the trail and marking the new "bypass" with a sign for trail users.

Discussion ensued.

**Oakhill Baptist Church Child Care – Fee Waiver Request for Lock & Dam Rental**

The request for fee waiver was denied by the board. The request doesn't meet the criteria of the organization contributing directly to the Town of Newburgh. The board will send a letter to the church.

**REPORTS**

**Town Council Liaison**

No report.

**Pool Report**

Mrs. Wilsbacher indicated the pool took a loss this year. Mrs. Kavanaugh stated that with rainy weather during June and closing in early August, the pool only had 6 good weather weeks open to business.

Mrs. Wilsbacher will ask Jeannie Kellams at Cleo's for her end of season report.

Mrs. Wilsbacher indicated that the pool sold about half the swim lessons than they did last year, she also indicated that the front gate fees were down as well.

Mrs. Wilsbacher stated that after meeting with the insurance company that a diving board is a possibility. This is something to be discussed further.

Mrs. Wilsbacher mentioned that Carol Schaefer suggested a Movie Night at the Pool.

Mrs. Wilsbacher suggested tabling this for next month and asked members to brainstorm for ideas how to bring more patrons to the pool.

**Fundraising**

No report.

**Rivertown Trail**

No report.

**Miscellaneous Report**

Mrs. Wilsbacher suggested dividing the parks among Park Board members to create a sense of "ownership". Each member will have a park property assigned to them for monitoring and "keeping an eye out" for things that need to be done at the park properties;

Kevin Reine: Lockmaster Cottages

Matt Timmel: Lock & Dam #47

Wanda Kavanaugh: Indian Hill Overlook Park

Ron Keller: Lou Dennis Community Park

Mary Ann Wilsbacher will oversee each of the parks as Park Board President.

**Staff**

No report.

**Unfinished Business**

Parks Master Plan review – Tabled.

**Next meeting**

The December 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting will be held at the Lockmaster Cottage West building at 6 p.m.

**ADJOURN**

The meeting was adjourned.

  
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Chair

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Recorder