

**Wakefield Parks & Recreation
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August 7, 2005

Meeting called to order at 7 p.m.

Members present were Sarah Hayes, David Stevens, Robert Shepherd, Valerie J. Brown, and Wayne Robinson, Director.

A. Minutes from May 17th were not available.

B. Skate park:

1. Wayne has had calls regarding the condition of the park. There is trash in the park and on Mr. Meyer's concrete. Wayne and Josh Smith gave warnings to various kids about it. They were able to get it cleaned up. The idea of closing it temporarily was discussed but not acted upon. Monday there will be 15K worth of equipment coming for it which will include a grinding rail, ramp, etc. Once the equipment comes P&R will need to repaint the walkway. Wayne is considering putting up an archway and sign for parking. Wayne asked some kids that use the park to come and help with the new equipment set up. Dave asked if P&R could put the basketball courts there and Wayne said it could for approximately 8K: 6500K for paving and the rest for moving the existing hoops. A company called SPC is installing the new skate park equipment.

C. Soccer:

1. **Sign ups and practices:** This is going well. Shep is willing to coach the 7-8 grade teams. There is a meeting on the 17th with the townships we will be playing with and they will give out the rules and regulations at that time. Tuesdays and Thursdays will be practice days. The younger kids (2nd & 3rd grades) could do practice right after school.

D. Seadogs:

1. Great time was had. There will be another game to go to on August 25th. If anyone is interested please sign up as soon as possible.

E. End of Summer Bash:

1. There is a band scheduled for the last Wednesday of the month. Just by Chance is their name. Wayne would like to do a BBQ or ice cream social. He will wait to see how many will come tomorrow night. Sarah suggested maybe we should wait until September when more kids could show up. Wayne said he will wait.

F. Web Page:

1. Mr. Hermonant is not getting anywhere with it. He hasn't had time to do anything. Val will attempt to get the information needed from Brad Beckmeir (sp?) to update the site.

G. New Employee:

1. Josh Smith is now working part time for P&R. He's 17 years old and has been chaperoning for various trips. He also fills in for Danielle Bardsley when she is out.

H. Unscheduled matters:

1. Budget is coming up. Wayne will get together with Sarah and they will collaborate on the budget.
2. Wayne is also looking for another part time employee.
3. Shep asked about the home run fence plugs. He said they are on the soccer playing field. Wayne said they cannot be moved but should not interfere with play as they are flush with the ground.
4. Wayne may have someone to referee all soccer games this year. He'll get back to us on that.

**Val motioned to adjourn at 7:35 and Sarah seconded the motion all were in favor.
Meeting adjourned 7:40 pm.**

Respectfully submitted,

Valerie J. Brown
Secretary
Wakefield Parks & Recreation Commission