

**Town of Delafield
Park and Recreation Commission Meeting
Meeting Minutes
March 9, 2009 - 6:30 p.m.**

Call to Order

The regular meeting of the Town of Delafield Park and Recreation Commission was called to order at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, March 9, 2009 in the Town Hall by Chairperson, Dan Dupies. Members present at time of calling the meeting to order: Patti Chasteen, Dan Dupies, James Gende, Dawn Thomson, and Town Liaison, Supervisor Larry Krause. Shawn Kramlich was absent in attendance. Park and Recreation Coordinator, Amy Miller was in attendance.

Second Order of Business

Pledge of Allegiance.

Third Order of Business

Minutes of February 9, 2009. *A motion to approve the minutes was made by Supervisor Krause; seconded by Mr. Gende. The motion passed unanimously.*

A motion was made to take 7A. out of order by Supervisor Krause; seconded by Ms. Chasteen.

Seventh Order of Business - Unfinished Business

A. Cushing Park Road Bicycling Path Update

Dan Dupies reported he met with the Rodinger family. There was discussion on the retaining wall and a solution to their renter's access to the home and parking. They are curious about access to the garage and driveway position. Soil borings were done. RA Smith stated the DNR funding has not been received. The dual design and construction portion of the reimbursement will also work with the City of Delafield. There will be no double billing. The schedule includes May, 2009 bids and July, 2009 construction with Wolfe paving.

Members in the audience at this time commented. Mr. Larry Sheets sent a letter to Tom Blotz, DNR. His main concern in his letter dealt with the crossover from the Drumlin Trail over Hwy. 18 and it's safety concerns. He feels the speed limit on that road is a big issue. He also voiced his awareness that he was not able to find anything in the 2006 Park Board minutes about a motion for action on this project. Chairman Dupies noted that bike path improvements have been a long-standing goal for the Town of Delafield. Mr. Rick Kribe, of Rustic Lane also commented on the speed of the noted path road and the traffic along it. He lives on the road and fears for children and users who try to cross Hwy. 18 and the speeds and amount of car use. He stated it is heavily used by cars during peak hours.

A motion was made to return to the agenda order by Ms. Chasteen; seconded by Supervisor Krause. Motion approved unanimously.

Fourth Order of Business

Communications

A. Town Board Park/Recreation Liaison Report

No report.

B. Park & Recreation Coordinator Report

Ms. Chasteen reviewed the month of February. Several emails have come in. The park ballfield reservations are slowing down. At this time there are no park rentals.

Other areas of information included:

- *Registration information for the summer youth ball program has gone out and registration will be held on April 3rd and 4th at the Town Hall.*
- *HK will be coming to look at the Town fields and will stay within the appointed budget for improvements.*
- *Involvement of the Town DPW on field maintenance education.*
- *Minneapolis, MN is site for next Playground Certification and discussion will be reviewed at a later meeting on the need to pursue this with DPW staff.*
- *Log Cabin Run letters are going out.*

The new Park and Recreation Coordinator, Amy Miller, was introduced to the Commission. Amy had worked as the Hartland Director for five years and is a Delafield resident. She is interested in pursuing sports clinics for Pre-K children. She also spoke of an opportunity for new programs in the Town and is interested in moving in that direction.

Fifth Order of Business - Reports

A. Rental Reservations 2005-2009

Ms. Chasteen presented a Rental/Reservation Revenue Review from 2005-09. There was evidence of more field rentals on weekends. Revenue increased from \$400 in 2005 to \$5,148 in 2008. Discussion arose about the need to have DPW prep fields for weekend rentals.

Sixth Order of Business - New Business

A. Baseball Sign-up Preparations

Registration for 2009 programming will be held April 3rd and 4th. Volunteers are needed to assist Ms. Miller.

B. Delafield Chamber of Commerce

Ms. Chasteen presented a booklet put together by the Delafield Chamber. There was discussion on the Town's Park Commission paying for advertisement in order to present information to those that use the booklet. This item will be tabled until a future meeting.

Eighth Order of Business - Announcements and Planning

A. Next meeting date will be April 13, 2009 at 6:30 p.m. The Town's Annual Meeting will be April 15, 2009. Chairman Dupies will give a report on the Commission. The Commission is invited to attend.

B. Adjournment

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 8:35 p.m. by Supervisor Krause; seconded by Ms. Chasteen. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted, Dawn Thomson, Park and Recreation Commissioner