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## Parks & Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes Thursday, October 22, 2009 Town Hall

Present: Joe Flaherty, Sue Barnett, Dannielle Byrne, Ted King, Mark Reil, Joan Caldarella

and Shirley Smith Staff: Jenn Welch

Dannielle Byrne is interviewing for the part-time Kids' N Us Summer Recreation Program Director.

Members of the Lake Nipmuc Association presented an Ice-Out fundraiser to raise money for the association as well as the parks department. A dummy will be placed on the ice at Lake Nipmuc. People will buy tickets and try to guess the time the lake will thaw and the dummy will fall through. The Commissioners think it is a great idea.

Sue and Joe discussed hiring Dannielle Byrne as the Recreation Director. She was the only applicant and is well qualified for the position. Per the employee handbook, the Ethics Commission will need to be contacted by AJ Byrne, Chairman of the Parks Department, to make sure there are no Ethics Violations.

Joe motioned to approve the hiring of Dannielle Byrne pending the approval of the Ethics Commission, Sue  $2^{nd}$ . Approved.

For the upcoming 2010 Summer season, the board would like to establish a chain of command at the onset of the season and set or have scheduled hours for Kathy Laflash, Beach Director.



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## Parks & Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes Thursday, November 12, 2009 Town Hall

Present: Joe Flaherty, Sue Barnett

Staff: Jenn Welch

Joe and Sue discussed Dannielle Byrne's hourly wage request of \$20-\$25 per hour. With her knowledge and experience they would like to offer her \$20 per hour.

Joe motioned to approve an hourly wage of \$20 for Dannielle Byrne, Sue 2<sup>nd</sup>. Approved.

In exchange for the monetary contribution baseball is making for materials for a dugout, a \$500 credit towards next seasons Field Use Fees will apply.

The daily and weekly rate for the mini vacation recreation program was discussed.

Joe motioned for the new rate to be \$40 per day or \$110 for all three days of the program, Sue  $2^{nd}$ . Approved.

Jenn showed the Commissioners the question and answer press release for the Lake Nipmuc Association's  $\mathbf{1}^{\text{st}}$  Annual ICE-OUT Contest. Shirley Smith would like to know how to word the answer to who will benefit from the proceeds. The Commission suggested removing the words earmarked and summer. That way any money could be used for programs throughout the year rather than just the summer.



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## Parks & Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes Monday, December 21, 2009 Pizzeria Uno

Present: AJ Byrne, Joe Flaherty, Sue Barnett, Peter Reiffarth, Tom Belland

Staff: Jenn Welch

Annual Parks Department Holiday meeting. Peter Reiffarth, Senior Baseball and Tom Belland, Junior Baseball, came to introduce themselves prior to the upcoming 2010 season. Thoughts and ideas about the Fields and Concession stands were discussed.

Happy Holidays.

