

Town of Fairfax

Minutes of
Fairfax Parks and Recreation Commission
Monday, January 9, 2012
7:00 p.m.
Youth Center
16 Park Road
Fairfax

PARC Commissioners in attendance: Elon Rosenfeld, Richard Pedemonte, Vicki Burns, Monty Stephens. Staff in attendance: Maria Baird, Community Resources Coordinator, Judy Anderson, Town Clerk

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. The minutes of the December 11th were approved.

1. New Business

1. **Ice skating at the Pavilion-** Maria distributed a report on the outcome of the skating event. A total of \$2,104 was collected, with \$1,600 of this coming from ticket sales; \$181 from the jumpee, and \$267 from bake sale proceeds. Overall, the event was very successful, drawing over 200 skaters each day. The maximum that could be accommodated was 270 for the day. A few challenges this year included Peet's Coffee not able to donate the coffee, and thus charged us \$75 for the price of the beans (still a discounted rate). Also, a popcorn machine was rented from the jumpee house company, in order to better keep up with the demand for popcorn. This increased the cost of operations a bit. The cookies cost \$90. Some possible suggestions for next year include having PARC commissioners bake the goodies, rather than purchasing pre-made sweets, which would save on costs. It was also recommended we approach Coffee Roasters in town for a donation. If that failed to materialize, we could brew our own coffee. Also, Maria pointed out there is \$400 in the PARC budget allocated to this event, which helps cover expenses such as the jumpee and food purchases. Additionally, there is \$500 from sponsorship of the Brewfest via the Chamber of Commerce that goes to support PARC related activities. **ACTION ITEM: PARC Commissioners expressed that they would like to continue offering the ice skating event to the community in the future.**
2. **Goals for 2012-** Elon suggested that everyone bring one goal to the February meeting and there will be a group discussion on adoption of the goals. Maria will send out an e-mail asking PARC members to do

so. Some potential recreation activities may include hiking, movie night at the Pavilion, and board games for families at the Pavilion.

3. **Bicycling opportunities in Fairfax** – As per Elon’s request, Maria contacted the Marin County Bicycle Coalition (MCBC) and asked that they send a representative to a PARC meeting. The response by MCBC was that they have certain individuals that work on specific projects, and it would be better to identify the area of collaboration before assigning a rep to it.

Old Business

1. **Peri Park grant announcement**- Maria distributed a letter from the KaBOOM organization that included a pre-paid Visa gift card for \$750. This money can be used to fund future park needs, such as rakes and other equipment, sand, and supplies needed for Peri Park clean-up days. There is no expiration date on the use of the card.
2. **Artists-in-Residence update** –The artists were out of town, will present at next month’s meeting.
3. **Pavilion update- Building Improvements** - this item will be covered at the February meeting so Camille may contribute. Some suggestions include an indoor bulletin board in the lobby of the Pavilion, so residents can be kept aware of activities that take place in the building. Maria commented that at the ice skating event, attendees expressed interest in renting the building and there were many inquiries as to what activities take place in the Pavilion.

Committee Reports

1. **Tree Committee Update** – no news to report. Judy announced that the Open Space Committee will be conducting a scotch broom pull in Jolly Hill on February 17th.
2. **Fairfax Festival** – Richard announced the dates of the festival are June 9 & 10 for 2012.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m. Next meeting scheduled for Wednesday, February 15th.