

## Minutes of March 8, 2010

Meeting called to order at 7:19 p.m. Members present Darren Netto, Assistant Chairman, Bob Norris, Todd Annis, Rich Labbe and Dave Farr, Recreation Director.

Minutes of February read. Motion to accept minutes as read made by Bob Norris. Motion seconded by Rich Labbe. All in favor. Minutes of special meeting read. Motion to accept minutes as read made by Rich Labbe. Motion second by Bob Norris. All in favor.

Mr. Farr reported on meeting with skateboarders and skate park builder all in agreement the key to a successful park is to have good flow. Some changes made with builder and to meet again Wednesday at 3:00 at town hall. Park will have a mini-ramp, no bowl. Should receive all \$16,000.00 per First Selectman Wawruck. Next step to submit order to proceed form. To be completed some time in April if project goes well.

Mr. Farr reported Board of Finance rejected anything given a raise to though the minimum wage has gone up. Director Farr and Commission will appeal summer help salaries due to minimum wage increase and the park office/administration secretary's wages items. Mr. Farr stated more hours are needed down the road for the assistant director

Director Farr and Commission went on to devise Skate Park rules. See attached.

Mr. Norris made motion based on discussion to adopt skate park rules as discussed in predraft form. Motion second by Todd Annis. All in favor.

Mr. Farr gave overview of present programs ongoing at this time.

Report on VMP soccer goals rusted out in need of replacing.

Next meeting to be held Monday, April 12 at 7:00 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

# SKATE PARK RULES

1. This is an unsupervised park. Skateboard / skate at your own risk.
2. Skateboarders / skaters under 10 years of age should be accompanied by an adult. Identification required for any skateboarder / skater not with a parent or guardian.
3. Do not skateboard / skate if damage is present. Immediately contact the Park Department at 860 627-1420.
4. Safety equipment must be worn at all times. This includes a helmet, knee and elbow pads. Closed toed high-top non-slick shoes, gloves, wrist braces and hip pads are encouraged, but not required.
5. Only skateboards and inline skates are authorized. Any and all types of bikes and scooters are prohibited in the fenced area.
6. Skateboarders / skaters must skate with the flow of traffic. Only one person per skateboard and only one person on a structure at a time.
7. Park and Recreation staff reserves the right to limit the number of skateboarders / skaters using the park to prevent overcrowding.
8. No moving of elements or bringing in of elements such as benches, tables or other objects.
9. No glass containers, food or beverages allowed on the skating surface. Place trash in proper receptacles.
10. No drugs, alcohol, tobacco products or gum will be permitted in park.
11. Music may be played if appropriate for all ages (no profanity or offensive content) and volume kept to a minimum.
12. Recklessness, horseplay, foul language, not listening to Park and Recreation staff or any inappropriate behavior will not be tolerated, and will subject the skater / skateboarder to removal from the park.
13. No pets allowed in the skate park.
14. Park is open when surfaces are dry and clear. Park hours on school days are from the end of school to dusk. All other days, park hours are from dawn to dusk. No loitering or trespassing after park is closed.
15. No skating allowed in parking areas or on sidewalks. When entering and exiting park, boards must be walked in.
16. No destroying or defacing public property. No unsolicited markings may be added to any surfaces or components within the park.
17. In the event of an emergency or injury, all skateboarders / skaters must discontinue skating until further directed by Park and Recreation.
18. Skateboarders / skaters must follow the direction of the Park and Recreation staff at all times. P&R reserves the right to eject a skateboarder / skater from the park for reasons of safety and fairness to other participants. P&R staff decisions are final. These rules may be modified at any time.