

**Jenkins Park Advisory Board (JPAB)**  
**Minutes of Meeting**  
**Wednesday August 12, 2009 from 8:25 p.m.**

**Present:**

Lynnette Ziskin, Peter Petrillose, Bill Bechtel, Jeanrae Benoit (four JPAB members), Tim Szczpaniak (Town Council member) and Dan Richardson

**Chair** Lynnette Ziskin opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

**Meeting Notes**

1. Tim Szczpaniak assured the JPAB that Jenkins Park monies are not included in the carry-over cut back. That is, the 2009 final balance will carryover into 2010.
2. Even though there was not a board majority to approve the June and July meeting minutes, Bill led a discussion of the July minutes. Several changes to include more detail of Sat Ihara's comments with reference to the meadow area in the Park and revisions to the bylaws during the July meeting were informally agreed upon by the board members present. The secretary will make these changes and all outstanding previous meeting minutes will be presented at the September meeting for approval.
3. Bill Bechtel stated that as of the end of June, Jenkins Park funds were \$23,811.38.
4. Ground bees stung Dan Zappolo in his face, arms, and legs while cutting grass in the Park on Sunday August 9. Lynnette said she met an exterminator at Jenkins Park on Wednesday morning August 12, where he located and treated two nests that Dan Zappolo marked for us, plus one other.
5. Lynnette said she is going to have two high school students paint the teeter-totter animals and merry-go-round in the Park. She also said the swing set should be painted and may have that done professionally because of the height of the swings
6. Lynnette gave an update on the progress of several projects in the Park.
  - The Burnt Hills – Ballston Lake Rotary is helping with the park east side beautification project lead by Sat Ihara. This area is being cleared of heavy brush and leaning pine trees. Bill Boyce, whose property adjoins this area, has giving his blessing to the project and letting trees drop on his property before removal. Two trees in the playground area that need to be taken down may be included in this project.
  - The Garden Maze has been weeded and taken care of by a high school honor's student fulfilling 30 hours of volunteer service. George Seymour has requested a new perennial garden project that he would lead. Lynnette suggested in the meeting that instead of starting another garden, perhaps he would like to maintain/manage the Garden Maze; adding some other perennials if he'd like.
  - Patti Southworth told Lynnette that the DEC says Grass carp should only be stocked in the park ponds in spring when the pond grass is new. Our DEC application to stock Grass carp should be made next March.
  - Rae Quesada still needs to remove the power lines from two poles in the park that are no longer required and should be taken down because of their age. Lynnette is also going to request National Grid to remove the wires from the pole lamp at the Park entrance. This park entrance lamp is no longer desired and National Grid charges the Jenkins Park fund monthly.

- Rae Quesada has volunteered to repair the broken basketball hoop. Sat is helping with ordering bolts and brackets to make the repair.
- Several Boy Scout "Eagle" badge projects have been completed this summer that include blue bird and bat houses, pavilion benches and a bicycle rack. Also a bridge over the stream on the west side trail is going to be completed before winter. The Boy Scouts are also going to build a fence adjacent to the basketball court to keep cars from entering the park beyond the road.

7. Lynnette said she is going to have her name put on the Jenkins Park account at Burnt Hills hardware to replace Sat Ihara who recently resigned from the JPAB.
8. Jeanrae Benoit is assuming the JPAB Secretary position and Bill Bechtel will assume financial and project tracking responsibility.
9. Bill Bechtel and Lynnette are drafting the 2010 budget proposal for presentation to the Town Council in October.
10. Dan Richardson is applying for the position on the JPAB left by Sat Ihara's resignation.
11. Lynnette adjourned the meeting at 8:25 p.m.

The next JPAB meeting will be on Wednesday September 9, 2009 at 7:00 p.m.