

VILLAGE OF SCOTIA PARK BOARD MINUTES

Meeting held January 2, 2008

Mayor Kris Kastberg and
the Village Board of Trustees
Scotia, New York

Following are the minutes of the January meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners.

Attendance: B. Pytlovany, C. Gatta, J. Gatta, Harrigan, Torelli, VanPatten, Trustee
Carpenter, Parks and Recreation Supervisor Marx

Excused: Albers

Absent: LaRocco

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Welcome to new member Catherine Gatta our new Freedom Park Representative.

1. **Minutes**

Motion made by VanPatten seconded by J. Gatta to accept the November minutes as submitted. All in favor.

2. **Park Use Applications**

Capital District Grass Doubles – Jen Sangiacomo,

Requests use of Collins Park on the following days: June 7 and 8 Meadows, June 28, 29 Main fields, July 12, 13 Main fields, July 19 Meadows, August 16, 17 Main field, August 23 Meadows, September 6, 7 Main fields. Time requested is from 7am – 8pm. New this year, they would like to hold a four on four league every Wednesday from June 4 through Aug 27, Meadows from 6pm – 8:30pm.

They have suggested alternating between the Meadows and the main field to help maintain the grass.

They are requesting to park 3 cars in Rotary Row. Parking permits will be required and given to Jen by J. Marx.

Discussion continued concerning large crowds at Freedom Park concerts on Wednesday nights. It was determined that members would park in beach parking so there would not be a conflict.

Due to fireworks on July 27th the main field will need to be cleaned up prior to 7:00am June 28th.

A fee of \$735.00 will be charged.

Motion made by J. Gatta, seconded by VanPatten to approve the Park Use application contingent upon receipt of insurance and fee paid.

All in favor.

Beukendaal/Thomas Corners Fire Departments- Marty Bailey

Applicant met before the Park board at the November 2007 meeting and was requested to attend the Village Board meeting in December to discuss use of Collins Park for a circus/midway event from May 5 – 11, 2008.

After discussing concerns with both Boards it was determined that:

No mass gathering permit was needed.

Insurance certificate and applications for vending permits and health permits are required to be in at least two weeks prior to event.

The beach parking lot will be used for trailers and the rides will be in the grass area.

There will not be any trailers parked on the grass behind the Babe Ruth field.

Emergency services will be provided by the Beukendaal/Thomas Corners Fire Departments.

Item #13 on the Park Use application should read "yes" request permission to drive a vehicle on restricted areas of the park.

Set up for the event will take place on May 5th. The event will take place 5pm – 11pm during the week and 1pm – 11pm Saturday, 1pm – 5pm Sunday.

Motion made by J. Gatta, seconded by Torelli to approve the Park Use application contingent upon receipt of insurance and vending permits two weeks prior to event.

All in favor

3. **Liaison's Report**

no report.

4. **Chairman's Report**

The Flint House Holiday House Tour was a success. Over 500 hundred people attended.

A request was made for snow removal on sidewalks and entrance to back door of Flint House.

5. **Supervisor's Report**

J. Marx is in the process of submitting a Grant for payment of a pavilion in the meadows area.

He would like to include water quality issues, beach hours and a downloadable copy of the Park Use application on the Village web site.

There have been many more species of birds spotted at the park since the geese have been gone.

6. **Freedom Park**

The building has been winterized.

Concerns from the past season include:

We would like to see more police presence at events to control alcohol use. Event coordinators are not able to prevent this themselves. When they approach people they are ignored. The possibility of putting up signs to discourage use was discussed.

A blockade is needed to be installed in order to prevent cars being driven behind the stage area.

7. **New Business**

The Park Use Permit Check List now called the Village Property Check List is currently being worked on and will be available for review and approval at the next meeting/

The Park Board priority list was distributed and discussed as attached.

Bill P was again nominated to serve as chair of the Park Board for the term of one year

Next meeting will be February 6, 2008

Motion made by J. Gatta to adjourn meeting at 8:58 p.m., seconded by Torelli. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,
Teresa Norton, Secretary

cc: Schmitz, Cushing
Kasko, Pytlovany