

## VILLAGE OF SCOTIA PARK BOARD MINUTES

Meeting held April 2, 2008

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

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

Attendance: B. Pytlovany, Albers, C. Gatta, J. Gatta, Harrigan, LaRocco, Myslinski,  
Torelli, VanPatten, Trustee Carpenter, Parks and Recreation Supervisor  
Marx  
Excused: none  
Absent: none

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

1. **Minutes**

**Motion** made by Torelli seconded by Albers to accept the March minutes as submitted. All in favor.

2. **Park Use Applications**

**Doug O'Brey Baseball Schools – represented by Doug O'Brey**

Requests use of Babe Ruth, Little League and baseball fields along Schonowee Ave for youth baseball camp June 30 – July 4 and July 14 – 18, 9:00am – 3:00pm. This program has been in the park for many years. There are no changes from prior years. One parking permit will be needed and supplied to Mr. O'Brey by J. Marx.

**Motion** made by LaRocco, seconded by VanPatten to approve the Park Use application. **All in favor.**

**Scotia Glenville Jr. Tartans Pop Warner - represented by Lynn Bruce**

Would like to set up a table along Schonowee Ave. on Rotary Row to sell glow necklaces on fireworks night, June 27, 2008.

**Motion** made by J. Gatta, seconded by Albers to approve the Park Use application pending receipt of insurance and vending permit. **All in favor.**

**Capital District Men's Senior Baseball League, Inc. – no representative present.**  
J. Gatta will contact. Application put on hold until next month's meeting.

**Capital District Youth Rugby Education Foundation, Inc. – represented by Robert Sliwinski**

CDYR was formed in 2007, as a program for boys and girls ages 14 to 18 years old to foster the development of rugby football. They are currently only fielding a boy's team in this area. They would like to make Collins Park (Meadows) home for the Schenectady area team Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 4-6pm beginning April 3 through June 15, 2008. CDYR will erect temporary goal posts that will be taken down after each game. They will also line the field. J. Marx will keep in contact with CDYR regarding use of field if he feels it is not available to be played on – ex. field too wet from rain.

**Motion** made by J. Gatta, seconded by Torelli to approve the Park Use application pending receipt of insurance.

**All in favor**

**Geater Glenville Family YMCA – represented by Donna Pravel, Exec. Director**

Requests use of Collins Lake for the Corporate Olympics canoe race April 26, 2008 12:00-2:00 pm. There will be six canoes. The Y will provide lifeguards and EMT's. Certificate of Insurance already on file at Clerk's Office.

**Motion** made by J. Gatta, seconded by Albers to approve the Park Use application.

**All in favor.**

**Greater Glenville Family YMCA – represented by Curtis Hovey**

Requests use of Collins Park for a 5K race starting at Freedom Park, running down Schonowee Ave, and through the Park (map on file). This event is featured as part of the Canal Fest weekend. The Scotia Chief of Police has been contacted regarding closing a portion of Schonowee Ave. from 9:00am- 9:45 am for the start of the race. A small pole tent will be erected at Freedom Park.

Fee will be negotiated with the Police Chief by Bill P.

Board asks that event participants park in the beach parking lot.

Certificate of Insurance already on file at Clerk's Office.

**Motion** made by J. Gatta, seconded by Torelli to approve the Park Use application.

**All in favor.**

**Anaconda Indians – represented by James DiMidio**

Requests use of baseball field in the “bowl” area for games and practices as in prior years. There will also be games played in the Babe Ruth field on Wednesday nights at 7:00pm. They will be stimulating interest in attending these games by contacting local retirement homes. They will also be contacting local politicians to throw out the first pitch.

**Motion** made by VanPatten, seconded by C. Gatta to approve the Park Use application.  
**All in favor.**

**Smack That Volleyball – represented by Krista Provost.**

**Requests use of the Meadows on May 3, 2008 for a volleyball tournament from 9:00am – 8:00pm.** This group is part of the Capital District Grass Doubles organization. This tournament will be a fundraiser for their trip to the national competition in Atlanta.

Board requests participants park in the Meadows parking and at beach parking.  
Fee will be \$30.00.

**Motion** made by J. Gatta, seconded by Torelli to approve the Park Use application pending receipt of certificate of insurance and \$30.00 fee.

**All in favor.**

3. **Liaison’s Report**

The Board of Trustees has approved the use of the water hook up for the US Water Ski team as discussed last month.

The Town of Glenville is meeting again to reconsider the funding for our Youth program. C. Carpenter and J. Marx met with Laura Brown. Save the Geese will continue hazing and will help with addling eggs. They are also willing to look in locations for nests other than the Lake.

4. **Chairman’s Report**

No Report. .

5. **Supervisor's Report**

The number of resident geese has dropped. There are currently 4 pairs of nesting geese on the island.

It has been approved by the Board of Trustees to use Parkland funds to replace a broken slide in the Kiddie park.

There was much discussion concerning the funding for our summer recreation program. If funding is cut by the Town of Glenville, we will need to find another way to run the program. If we cut beach preseason hours to save money we feel that we will loose employees and may not be able to be fully staffed, therefore not opening the beach. Reducing the numbers of counselors, or closing the rec program is not good for the youth in the village. Eliminating counselors may cause safety issues for the children and vandalism to increase

*The Park Board feels strongly that the summer beach and summer recreation programs continue with or without funding from the Town of Glenville.*

6. **Freedom Park**

The Hamilton Hill Steel Drum Band is on the schedule for June 21<sup>st</sup>.

A barrier is needed on the side of the stage preventing cars from driving behind the stage.

7. **New Business**

none

**Next meeting will be May 7, 2008**

**Motion** made by LaRocco, to adjourn meeting at 9:12 p.m., seconded by J.. Gatta  
All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,  
Teresa Norton, Secretary

cc: Schmitz, Cushing  
Kasko, Pytlovany