

The Recreation Commission monthly meeting was held at 7 p.m. at the Village of Cold Spring offices on Wednesday, February 27, 2013
attending: Curt Landtroop, Bruce Campbell, Michael Chefalo, Matthew Beachak, Gloria McVey

As temporary chair, Bruce led off, introducing Vinny Tamagna, president of the Cold Spring Chamber of Commerce, who gave a presentation of the plans for the two day festival, Pedaling into Spring, to be held in Cold Spring on Saturday and Sunday May 4th and 5th. This event will be staged in conjunction with the Putnam Cycling Classic on Sunday, May 5th. Mr. Tamagna gave an extensive presentation, much of which has been well chronicled in the local media, and there was extensive questions and suggestions provided by committee members. Bruce will review with officer Kayne parking, placement of bike rack issues and other logistics; and, based on this assessment, the commission has given its approval to the festival as generally planned.

The next item under consideration concerned a presentation by John Rotando who was representing Tom Virgadamo and the Haldane baseball team. They are requesting authorization to put up a temporary fence on the ballfield at Mayor's Park for games played in the season from April into the middle of June. The fence would be 190 feet in length, be of nylon mesh extending 4 feet high and stretch from the right field area near the railroad tracks into center field. The fence would be designed to provide safety for players who otherwise would be potentially subject to injury on the basketball court behind center field. The fence would be anchored by sockets placed every ten feet that would be flush with the ground and thus not posing a hazard to lawn maintenance activities and to others using the playing area. The fence would be erected for each game by the players and the grounds crew as 18 poles would be inserted into the sockets, 10 feet apart, after the temporary caps over the sockets were removed. ---The request was approved after the committee satisfied itself that the sockets in the ground would be flush with the grass and offer no hazard.

Requests of the Rec Commission

The following requests were considered:

An annual request from Tom Cunningham, AD of Haldane, requesting access to the ballfield at Mayor's Park from March into June for practice on weekdays, from 3 to 6 p.m., and for games on Saturdays, from 2 to 6 p.m. ---approved

Knights of Columbus requesting access to Tot's Park for Easter Hunt on Saturday, March 23rd with a rain date of Sunday, March 24th. Setup would be at 9 am and the event will take place between 11 am and 12 p.m. ---approved

Birthday party requested by Luisa Salazar for 60 people to be held at Mayor's Park Pavillion on Saturday, May 18, from 1 to 7 p.m. ---approved

Request for a charity event, Get Your Guts in Gear, a charity biking event with setup at 6 a.m. and opening ceremony, lasting 15 minutes, at 8 a.m. at Mayor's Paark Pavillion on Saturday, June 8th. It is expected that about 80 bikers will attend as they ride north to Rhinebeck for the benefit of Krone's Disease awareness. ---approved

Respectfully submitted
by Curt Landtroop