

Parks & Recreation Committee
Minutes
6/9/2025 @ 5:30pm at Glenbrook Park

In Attendance: Nolan Wilder, Kathy Williams, Kerry Henderson, Barbara Mansfield, Autumn Brookmire, Christina Varga, River Hoffman

Not Present: Sam Awand

Guests: Steve

Meeting called to order at 5:30 p.m. C. Williams motioned to accept April minutes as written. Varga seconded. All in favor.

Glenbrook Park:

The committee is awaiting a quote from Boyer signs. Proposed signage, along with repair and painting of wall that parallels Rt. 42 and entry gate, and possibly installation of pigeon spikes are the remaining projects to close out the Smart Growth grant. Hommel put in a proposal in excess of \$20,000 for wall and gate repair. Varga motioned “no” to this proposal. Henderson 2nd. All in favor.

A memorial bench was dedicated the Marilyn Manning in Glenbrook Park in June. Similar benches are highly desired by the committee in other parks. Gary Mead’s price for engraved, six-foot benches is \$1,500.

Williams planted the pots at the entrance, but mentioned that planters with height would be better.

Hoffman asked if an Instagram account could be started for the Dog Park.

Coordination with Mountain Valley Little League is desired to determine what’s happening with pile of dirt.

Parish Field:

Varga requested \$150 for transportation of the mini golf modules to the field. Mansfield said she thought that there were funds in the budget for that. Varga plans to move modules in mid-July.

Phoenicia Festival of the Arts (August 28- September 1, 2025) will debut the mini golf course/art installation with a ribbon cutting with artist Adam Zeretsky, whose foundation, BEAK, is donating the mini golf/art modules to the Town of Shandaken. Varga mentioned fundraising for the Festival and Mansfield said that the timing should be coordinated with other parks-related fundraising.

Smith Park:

Henderson reported that half pipe was finished and the survey of Smith Park completed. Henderson is launching a crowd funding campaign from July to mid August to pay for skatepark plans. Henderson is excited about a discussion he had with Rampage Skate Parks re: more cost-effective design. Mansfield reiterated it's best if park-related fundraising is coordinated.

Big Indian:

Research tree net for liability. Autumn meeting with self-appointed Shandaken Beautification Committee for future coordination.

Rock Cut:

There is no separate committee for Rock Cut. It is one of the parks managed by Parks & Recreation Committee. Kevin Van Blarcum would like a phenology trail and other interpretive environmental pieces there, like bat boxes, invasive species, wildlife and other interpretive signage. Hoffman mentioned her dad might build bat boxes for Rock Cut.

Henderaon motioned to adjourn, Vaga 2nd. All in favor