

City of Somerville
Recreation Commission
19 Walnut Street
Somerville, MA 02143

Commission Meeting Minutes
Monday, September 29, 2008 6:00PM

Present for Commission Meeting: President James Halloran, Secretary Danielle Palazzo, Board Members Anthony Alibrandi, Karen Goodridge, Richard Liberatore, Natalie Viera

OPENING OF THE MEETING

Two new Board Members were approved by the Board of Alderman on Thursday, September 25, 2008. John Teves, and William Medeiros.

NEW BUSINESS

Walnut Street Center formally located at 19A Walnut Street has relocated. This vacant area is in the process of renovation for the use to the Recreation Department programs to include Special Needs programming.

Fall/Winter Brochure has been issued to all Elementary Schools in Somerville. New programs to include: Salsa Dancing, Adult Co-ed Dodgeball, Middle School Recreation Athletic Programming, Photography, Sparks Program, Tops Soccer, Youth Yoga, etc.

High School conditioning clinics will continue throughout the Winter on Monday evenings at Somerville High School.

Jimmy DelPonte will be starting a new theater skit program for the youth in Somerville.

Somerville Youth Program is eager to create a music studio within their building located at 165 Broadway.

MEMBER FEEDBACK

Tony Alibrandi would be interested is utilizing the space across from Johnny's Food Master to create a skating area for youth in Somerville. This area is maintained by the State.

Natalie Viera is interested in obtaining policies and procedures for field and park use. James Halloran will speak to MaryAnn Heuston regarding signage and policies.

Tony Alibrandi would be interested in utilizing the space within Lincoln Park/Argenziano Field for Men's Softball Leagues.

Commission members are concerned that there are people from outside the City of Somerville utilizing the dog park located on Putnam Street. This area does not require a permit for parking.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Commission Members are interested in obtaining copies of the Recreation Commission By-laws for the next meeting which is scheduled for Monday, October 27, 2008 at 6:00pm in the conference room located at 167 Holland Street.