

Camp Harkness Advisory Committee
Camp Harkness Office
301 Great Neck Road
August 27, 2015
Minutes

Present: April Dipollina, Vicki Severin, MaryAnn Langdon, Bev Jackson, Stan Soby, Dan Steward, Jackson Pierre-Louis, Ginny Hogan

Others Present: Thomas Dailey, Carin Mancini, Meghan Horan, Frank Provenzano, Ernie Smith, Neil Cobleigh, Liz Adams, Debbie F

1. **Call to Order:** 10:34am
2. **Public Comments:** N/A
3. **Additions to Agenda:** N/A
4. **Approval of Minutes: No Approval of June minutes (no quorum at July meeting); Group will wait until September meeting.**
5. **Correspondence:** N/A
6. **Master Plan:**
 - The plan includes roads, additional parking, outdoor lighting, underground utilities, additional beach parking and design of marsh walkway.
7. **Bingham Beach:**
 - N/A
8. **Camp Harkness Fund:**
 - A. **Monthly Report**
 - Talent show was held on 8/20- good time had by all; movie night on 9/11 open to the public; Fall Festival on 9/27; Fund received \$5,000 from a local church to use for water feature and landscaping.
9. **Old Business:**
 - A. **Camp Report**
 - i. **Camp Usage/ Events**
 - Camp had over 13,000 visitors in July! Great season, very successful summer! 185 tent campers; 640 residential campers; 8,768 day visitors; Having security on hand, with a radio system, this year was a tremendous help.
 - ii. **Physical Plant**
 - Bonding Commission approved monies for the design (only) of horse barn; need paving down at the pavilions incorporated in Master Plan (trying very hard to make that happen). People in wheelchairs are getting stuck in the grooves in the pavement.
 - B. **Bingham Beach**
 - Any land transfer would need to go through the legislature. Thomas says it would be a difficult fight and he and Dan will talk more about it.

C. Website

- Nothing lately, will have more next meeting.

10. New Business: Talk of a rolling shower in the white house; also a changing table in another shower. New infirmary seemed to function well. The nurses were happy with it; There is a sign that says, "No Dogs," but service dogs are allowed. The sign should be adjusted to reflect that. MaryAnn was wondering why the Mobi mats do not go all the way to the water. MaryAnn also uses a tire to swim and was told by the lifeguard that it wasn't allowed. She wants to use her legs and the floating chair prohibits her from doing so. She feels her right to swim is being hindered. Group says they will work on a solution to that.

11. Adjournment: 11:34am

Next Meeting: 9/24/15

Respectfully submitted by: Meghan Horan, The Arc New London County