

**TOWN OF STRATFORD  
BOOTHE MEMORIAL PARK COMMISSION  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

**September 9, 2009**

The Boothe Memorial Park Commission of the Town of Stratford conducted a Regular Meeting on Wednesday September 9, 2009 at 7:30 p.m. in the Main Level Meeting Room of the Coliseum Building at Boothe Memorial Park, Main Street, Stratford CT, pursuant to notice duly given and posted.

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 7:35 p.m.

Presiding: Chairman Stephanie Philips

Commissioners in Attendance: J. Brazzell, R. Brown, Councilman T. Moore, Councilperson A. Wanamaker, A. Scala, S. Voccola

Commissioners Absent: B. Burton, B. Daponte

Others in Attendance: P. Handy (Parks Dept.), P. DeVitto (BMRS), M. Holden (BMAS), F. Kecko (Rose Garden Volunteers), B. Galli, D. Caserta

1. **Approval of Minutes:** The minutes of the 7/9/09 Meeting were approved on a motion by R. Brown and seconded by A. Scala.
2. **Financial Report:** Chairman Philips reported that there were no changes to the Financial Report from last month's meeting.
3. **Discussion on the following:**
  - a) Kitchen Renovations – stove and fire suppression apparatus have been installed and are ready for use.
  - b) Painting – P. Handy reported that Carriage House has been painted; Museum and Americana Building are in progress; Garage, Coliseum Cupola and Organ House still to be done.
  - c) Signage – P. Handy reported that signs for the grounds are still being prepared.
  - d) BMRS – discussed issues with water leakages (cracked doors); repairs were made.
  - e) Roofing – contract has been prepared and work to start on or about 10/1; all buildings will be accessible during the Pumpkin Festival.
  - f) Barn – has been formally condemned; Chairman Philips requested estimated \$200,000 from Building Needs Committee in order to refurbish Barn to usable condition (including work on roof and painting). She also reported that Historic Commission designation has been confirmed. Formal vote needed from Building Needs Committee to pass recommendation on to Town Council.
  - g) Boothe Park Camp – Carnival on the grounds was very successful this summer.
  - h) Pumpkin Festival '09 – review and discussion followed regarding activities, games, pumpkin carving, advertising, food, prizes, volunteers, etc. There will be a pre-event set up on Friday 10/16; rain date is Sunday 10/18.
4. **Volunteers Reports:** none at this time, table to next meeting.
5. **New Business:** (a) S. Voccola spoke about having a student art show at Boothe Park; details and discussion to follow.
6. **Adjournment:** There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm on a motion by A. Scala and seconded by S. Voccola.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Debbie Galla*  
Recording Secretary