

## **Friends of Spy Pond Park Meeting Minutes**      **5/9/10**

**In Attendance:** Karen Grossman, Eric Berger, Elizabeth Karpati, Greg Watt, Lally Stowell, Doris Birmingham, Gail McCormick, Betsy Leondar-Wright, Margaret Moore

### **Treasurer's Report:**

- The CD and checking account balances are as follows: CD \$2037, and checking \$9013.
- The tax exempt status for Mass. is in progress.
- The 2008 & 2009 PC reports and IRS filings have been completed.
- Both of the grant applications to NEGEF and to NEFA were denied.

### **Park Maintenance and Beautification:**

- Doris spoke with Carol Johnson about the erosion of the pathways. Carol plans to contact the manufacturer of the pathway material to see if they would fix the eroded areas for free.
- We do not plan to mulch this year since the weeds are well controlled
- We need to groom the woodchips back into the playground area during work days to contain the spread of the chips
- Partnerships with People Making a Difference, Lori Tsuruda, and AB Crew team are both scheduled in May; churches in Arlington-good networking going on through publicity, Jacki Katzman

### **Website:**

- Lally Stowell will learn how to do database entry for documenting work day involvement
- Website enhancement: information links for the June festival and work days will be added, and the liability waiver will be placed on the news page
- Network for Good has been installed to accept payment online

### **Outreach:**

- Activities in the Park with ACC grant: Pam Shanley and Betsy Leondar-Wright Both the workshop (10- 12 p.m.) with a pizza lunch and the festival (1-4 p.m.) will be on June 26. Betsy will go before the Park Commissioners to discuss the details
- T-shirt sales and new memberships are going well at the park booth on Work and Festival Days
- Library display has gone well and people have been taking the literature provided
- Discussed gas motors on Spy Pond. Margaret Moore, coach of the Arlington Belmont Crew team, attended to discuss people's concerns about motors. Those present thought that the 10 HP motor limit was a town by-law.

### **Newsletter:**

- The Summer newsletter deadline is June 10 to publish by June 20<sup>th</sup> for the festival

### **New Business:**

- The bulletin board that was on the bike path at Linwood Street has broken and Andrew Fischer has it. He says it will take him 6-8 hrs. to repair it and that it's a one person job

**Next meeting:** July 11, 2010, 7 p.m. 32 Hamilton Road #402, Arlington, MA  
Submitted by Greg Watt