East Lyme Parks and Recreation Commission Special Meeting Minutes January 2, 2018

Present:

Robert Pfanner

Thomas Beebe Jackie Curry

Pat Larkin

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Absent:

Charles Fenick

Roger Nadeau

Also Present: Mark Nickerson, First Selectman

Kevin Seery, Ex officio

David Putnam, Director of Parks and Recreation

Bill Scheer, Public Works

1.Mr. Pfanner called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. **Delegations.** There was no discussion from guests at this time.

3. New Business.

a.) Review and approval of Penn Avenue and Main Street Vision Committee. Mr. Scheer distributed plan approved by the Penn Avenue and Main Street Vision Committee. They suggest using granite and native stone in the design. Main Street plans to sell bricks and the money received will be used for the park.

Mr. Nickerson reported grant money will be used for this project. When the project is completed, it will be turned over to the Parks and Recreation Department.

Mr. Scheer informed the Commission the plan calls for LED lighting with granite posts.

Mr. Putnam asked that the park be irrigated in order that the grass remains green. Mr. Scheer reported Main Street will water the flowers.

Mr. Scheer stated the rotary clock will be relocated to this site.

Mr. Putnam added the length of the park will have a black vinyl fence. The Town will pay AMTRAK to remove its fence.

MOTION (1):

Mr. Larkin moved to accept the plan approved by the Penn Avenue and Main Street Vision Committee. Seconded by Mr. Beebe. (4-0)

Unanimous.

b.) Review and approval of improvements to Cini Park including: Restroom facilities, water and sewer lines and transient docks. Mr. Scheer reported we need to run water and sewer from Niantic Transmission to this site. Because of changes in flood regulations, the area is now zoned V-13 and a fixed structure is not allowed. A portable restroom trailer that is handicapped accessible is our

preliminary plan. Mr. Beebe asked what are the hours it can be used? Mr. Putnam replied we plan to have it open at the same times as all other restrooms in Town. Mr. Scheer informed the Committee that water and sewer lines were installed a few years ago under the pavement. Mr. Putnam stated we have been paying \$7500 per year for portapotties in that area. Mr. Beebe asked will there be street lighting at that location? He was informed there will be.

Mr. Scheer stated the location for transient docks are connected to the kayak dock. There can be no power boat or swimming in that area. Dingy or small boats are allowed. Docko feels the largest size that can be in that area is 13′. Mr. Putnam added this would give individuals a place to anchor their boats. At the present time, there is no public transient docks. Mr. Scheer stated this allows for anchoring in or out of the water. Mr. Putnam felt this would be a great addition to the park. We are using a grant for rest rooms, water and sewer and transient docks. Mr. Larkin asked would Jet Skiers be allowed? Mr. Putnam felt they would.

MOTION (2):

Ms. Curry moved to approve the plan for restrooms, water and sewer and transient docks at Cini Park. Seconded by Mr. Larkin. (4-0) Unanimous.

Mr. Seery invited all to the Town Meeting on these matters on January 17 at East Lyme Town Hall.

MOTION (3):

Mr. Larkin moved to adjourn the East Lyme Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting at 7:30 p.m. Seconded by Mr. Beebe. (4-0) Unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Frances Ghersi, Recording Secretary