

# East Lyme Parks and Recreation

## Regular Meeting Minutes June 14, 2018

Present: Robert Pfanner  
Thomas Beebe  
Charles Fenick

Roger Nadeau

Absent: Pat Larkin  
Jackie Curry  
Sue Kumro

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June 27 2018 AT 4:05 AM/PM  
*Karen Maitland*  
EAST LYME TOWN CLERK

Also Present: David Putnam, Director of Parks and Recreation  
Kevin Seery, Ex officio  
Michelle Maitland, East Lyme Public Trust

**1. Call to Order.** Mr. Pfanner called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

**2. Delegations.** Ms. Maitland, representing the East Lyme Public Trust Foundation, reported members of the East Lyme Public Trust Foundation discussed whether items should be sold on or near the Boardwalk. It was decided that no items should be sold on or near the Boardwalk. After considering it, the Foundation decided not to sell tee shirts.

Mr. Pfanner felt if someone wished to sell water or ice cream it would be allowed, providing they go through the procedure in place. He agreed no wares should be sold. If an individual wanted to sell tee shirts, they could sell them at a local business. Mr. Nadeau felt the individual may purchase a booth for \$40 and sell tee shirts during Celebrate East Lyme.

**MOTION (1):** Mr. Fenick moved to not allow the sale of any merchandise on or near the Boardwalk other than food items, providing they go through the vendor process. Seconded by Mr. Beebe. (4-0) Unanimous.

**3. Minutes of Meeting May 10, 2018.** Mr. Pfanner asked for additions, deletions or corrections to the May 10, 2018 Parks and Recreation Minutes.

**MOTION (2):** Mr. Nadeau moved to approve the May 10, 2018 Parks and Recreation Minutes, as presented. Seconded by Mr. Beebe. (4-0) Unanimous

**4. Director's Report.** (See attached)

**5. Ex-Officio Report.** Mr. Seery reported the 2018/19 budget passed.

He stated the park on Main Street is beginning to shape up.

He informed the Commission next week there will be a meeting on capital improvements. Some of the items to be considered are a garbage truck and a sidewalk snow removal cleaner.

He reported East Lyme High School graduation is scheduled for June 22.

He stated consideration has been given to give a tax abatement to volunteer firemen who at the end of the year is trained and responds to a certain percentage of calls during the course of the year.

6. **Communications.** No communications were received.

7. **Unfinished Business.**

- a.) Future Park Development. There was no discussion on future park development.
- b.) Miracle League Field. (See Director's Report.)
- c.) T-shirt sales-boardwalk. There was no further discussion on this matter.

8. **Committee Reports.** There were no committee reports.

9. **New Business.**

- a.) There was a general consensus to cancel the July East Lyme Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting.

**MOTION (3):**        **Mr. Fenick moved to adjourn the East Lyme Parks and Recreation Commission Regular Meeting of June 14, 2018 at 7:35 p.m. Seconded by Mr. Nadeau. (4-0) Unanimous.**

Respectfully submitted,

Frances Gheri, Recording Secretary

**Director's Report**  
**June 14, 2018**

**McCook Point Park/Beaches:**

- We have issued over 2700 seasonal beach passes we are a few hundred over last year at this time.
- Lifeguards to begin on Saturday, June 16 we will guard all three beaches this weekend, only McCook from Monday 6/18 thru Friday 6/22. We will then start full time on 6/23. We hired 23 Lifeguard for the summer.
- Gate Attendants started Memorial Day weekend – weather has hampered our day pass sales.
- Touch-A-Truck scheduled for Saturday, May 19 was rained out it is re-scheduled for Saturday, October 13.
- Mobi-Mat handicapped access ramp has been installed at the Hole in Wall Beach.
- Niantic Bay 10K was held on Friday, June 8 we had close to 200 runners participated.
- Bright Music Festival was held on Sunday, June 10 they had a great turnout and was well organized.
- East Coast Watercraft races were held on May 19 and 20 on the Niantic Bay Beach despite poor weather they had a good turnout of racers.
- New restroom trailer for Cini is scheduled to be delivered in late June. Work is complete on Main Street bringing water and sewer to the site.
- A bicycle repair station has been installed by an Eagle Scout at the Hole in the Wall. A local Girl Scout troop has planted a flower garden with rain barrel near the flag pole at the Hole in Wall.
- East Lyme Public Trust has ordered an additional 15 Garbage Can containers for use at all of our beach locations.

**ATHLETIC FACILITIES:**

- East Lyme Youth Lacrosse has finished their spring schedule East Lyme Youth Soccer completes their schedule on June 24.
- Deep tine aeration of the Middle School Fields and Peretz Park was completed last week.
- Basketball Courts at Peretz Park are almost complete they look awesome, hope to have open by early next week.
- Fundraising continues for the Miracle League Field we are approaching the \$150,000.00 mark. We are in discussions with TO design on the building spec's.

**PARK AT PENN AND MAIN:**

- Projected grand opening date is for Celebrate East Lyme Day, July 21.
- Front wall has been completed a few bricks remain that are being sold by Niantic Main Street.

**MISCELLANEOUS:**

- CT Trails Day Hike was conducted on June 2 in partnership with the Friends of Oswegatchie Hills we had 43 hikers attend.
- Celebrate East Lyme scheduled for Saturday, July 21
- Playground and Hangout programs begin on Monday, June 25.
- There will be no July meeting.

