

East Lyme Parks and Recreation Regular Meeting Minutes

November 8, 2018

Present: Roger Nadeau
Charles Fenick
Jackie Curry
Pat Larkin
Thomas Beebe

Absent: Robert Pfanner
Sue Kumro

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(Signature)
EAST LYME TOWN CLERK

Also Present: David Putnam, Director of Parks and Recreation

1. Call to Order. Acting Chairman Nadeau called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was observed.

2. Delegations. There were no guests.

3. Minutes of Meeting October 11, 2018. Mr. Pfanner asked for additions, deletions or corrections to the October 11, 2018 Parks and Recreation Minutes.

MOTION (1): Ms. Curry moved to approve the October 11, 2018 Parks and Recreation Minutes, as presented. Seconded by Mr. Beebe. Mr. Beebe abstained from voting. (4-0-1) Motion carried.

4. Director's Report. (See attached)

5. Ex-Officio Report. Mr. Seery was unable to be present, and there was no report.

6. Communications.

a.) Letter from Karen Galbo, Town Clerk, regarding meeting information.

7. Unfinished Business.

a.) Future Park Development. The Athletic Field/Park Construction is in the Capital Improvement Budget of 2023-2024.

b.) Miracle League Field. Ms. Curry commended the Directors of the Miracle League on informing the public about the Miracle League.

8. Committee Reports. There were no committee reports.

9. New Business. Mr. Putnam distributed McCook Point Park Parking Permit/Pass Price Comparison for their review.

Mr. Putnam distributed information on the East Lyme Public Schools Viking Mentoring Program.

MOTION (2): Mr. Fenick moved to adjourn the East Lyme Parks and Recreation Commission Regular Meeting of November 8, 2018 at 7:45 p.m. Seconded by Mr. Larkin. (5-0) Unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Frances Gherzi, Recording Secretary

**Director's Report
November, 8, 2018**

McCook Point Park:

- I have provided the fee structures for Park entrance fees, tent and pavilion rentals as well as vendor information from 2018 for your review. The commission needs to make recommendations for 2019 at our December/January meetings.
- Tent has been taken down for the year it continues to be a great resource.
- The 5th annual Jingle Bell Run will be conducted at the Park on Saturday, December 8
- Touch a Truck event on October 13th was well attended despite rainy weather.
- We have removed the asphalt walkway from the lower parking lot to the upper picnic area it was a tripping hazard and replaced with grass seed.

Athletic Facilities:

- Concrete pitch back wall has been complete at Peretz Park, thanks to the Lacrosse Association who donated the monies.
- Youth Soccer will be finished on Friday. Maintenance Crew has begun work to sod areas around player benches and goal mouths. Fields will be slice seeded and aerated later this month.
- Youth Football Field will be aerated and seeded later this month.
- Eversource recently completed work at Peretz Park to replace our electrical service to the maintenance building, we were having issues with one of phases going down and affecting our athletic field lights.
- The Board of Education officially approved the addition of a Kevin's Kourt to our Miracle League Field project at Flanders Elementary School. We hope for a late spring/early summer construction. Kevin's Kourt has committed \$50,000 towards our project.
- TO Design will be conducting soil tests in the next three weeks for the Miracle League Field. Fundraising to date is now over the \$210,000 mark. Next fundraiser is our Playing for a Miracle benefit on November 16.

Personnel:

- Austin Grouten has completed his nine month probation period on November 5th as a Maintainer II, he is a huge asset to our service team.

Miscellaneous/Programs:

- 30th anniversary of the light parade will be held on Saturday, December 8th with a start time of 6:00 p.m. Dominion will be sponsoring Fireworks to celebrate the 30th year.
- Niantic Main Street's Holiday Stroll is scheduled for Saturday, November 24th.
- We will be partnering with the Children's Museum of SECT for the annual Count Down to Noon program on New Year's Eve at the Community Center.