

East Lyme Parks and Recreation Commission
Regular Meeting
February 13, 2020

Present: Robert Pfanner
Thomas Beebe
Jackie Curry
Pat Larkin
Todd Donovan
Roger Nadeau

FILED

Feb 19 2020 AT 12:00 AM/PM
Wynn Miller
EAST LYME TOWN CLERK

Absent: Sue Kumro
Ex-Officio, Kevin Seery, Deputy First Selectman

Also Present: David Putnam, Director

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Pfanner called the East Lyme Parks and Recreation Commission regular meeting of February 13, 2020 to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. PUBLIC DELEGATIONS

There were none

3. MINUTES

- a.) Minutes of January 9, 2020. Mr. Pfanner asked for additions, corrections or deletions to the East Lyme Parks and Recreation Regular Meeting Minutes of January 14, 2016.

MOTION: Mrs. Curry moved to accept the East Lyme Parks and Recreation Regular Meeting Minutes of January 9, 2020 as presented. Seconded by Mr. Larkin. (6-0) approved.

4. DIRECTOR'S REPORT (See attached report)

5. EX-OFFICIO REPORT

Mr. Seery was not in attendance.

6. COMMUNICATIONS

The Commission reviewed a communication from David Putnam, Director to the Hartford Marathon Foundation on fees associated with the Niantic Bay Triathlon.

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a. Future Park Development- No further discussion
- b. Miracle League Field – Mr. Putnam gave an update in his Director’s Report.
- c. 2020-2021 Budgets – Mr. Putnam reported that his Budget Review with the Board of Selectman was conducted on Monday, February 10, 2020.
- d. 2020-2021 McCook Point Fees

MOTION: Mr. Larkin moved to approve the Beach entry fees for 2020 as presented and outlined by Director Putnam, two entry fees are being approved, (1) no CT Sales Tax on parking lot fees and (2) A separate fee if the Town of East Lyme is required to pay the CT Sales Tax. Seconded by Mr. Beebe, (6-0) approved.

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. By-law revision committee, Director Putnam will submit updated by-laws for approval at the March regular meeting.

9. NEW BUSINESS

- a. None

10. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Mrs. Curry moved to adjourn the Parks and Recreation Commission Regular Meeting of February 9, 2020 at 7:55 p.m. Seconded by Mr. Nadeau (6-0) approved.

Respectfully Submitted,

David M. Putnam, Director

**Directors Report
February 13, 2020**

McCook Point Park/Beaches:

- Please see provided Beach Entry Fees for 2020, I would like the Commissions approval on the fees as recommended without the state sales tax and if we are committed to the tax. I am still waiting for clarification if this applies to our beaches.
- The East Lyme Public Trust Foundation has agreed to provide lighting for the Band Shell and up-lighting for trees surrounding the stage area. I hope to have them installed in the early spring.
- Seasonal Contracts for summer beach staff have been issued, proposed opening of the beaches with Lifeguards will be Saturday, June 20.
- Upcoming Special Events Includes:
 - Niantic Bay Boardwalk 5K – April 26
 - Earth Day – May 2
 - Touch-A-Truck – May 16
 - Niantic Bay 10K – June 5
 - Bright Music Festival – June 14
 - Celebrate East Lyme – July 18

Athletic Fields:

- With the mild winter work has progressed on the fencing project at Veterans Memorial Park, maintenance crew has removed the backstop on the Baseball Field and painted the poles, our fencing contractor will be on site in the next few weeks to finish the chain link fence part. Safety fence caps have been ordered for the LL complex.
- I met and received price quotes from a Mosquito company from Madison in the case the town decides to spray public areas for mosquito's and ticks.
- I am starting to receive spring field request, First Baseball Game scheduled for April 4 and 5, War at the Shore. The first Softball game is scheduled for April 2.

Budget:

- I presented our budget to the Board of Selectman on Monday, February 10th, our present operating request has a modest 2.81% increase. I do not have a scheduled date for budget review with the Board of Finance. Capital Improvement request currently has a replacement vehicle for the Director, would replace my 2006 Ford Escape with a similar vehicle.

Miracle League Field Update:

- The Miracle League of SECT recently signed a contract with Earth Dynamics out of Coventry, CT for the construction of the field and Kevin's Kourts. We are hoping to break ground in the next few weeks, anticipated completion date, weather permitting is Memorial Day.
- Fundraising continues for Phase 2 of the project which is a playscape and restroom facility.

Miscellaneous:

- The Planning Commission is currently working on the Plan of Conservation and Development. I will have some recommendations for the Commission at our March meeting.

McCook Point Park Parking Permit/Pass Price Comparison

Type	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	Entry fee:	with tax
Resident	\$30.00	\$30.00	\$30.00	\$30.00	\$30.00	\$35.00	\$35.00	\$35.00	\$35.00	\$35.00	\$40.00	\$40.00	\$42.31	\$45.00
Resident 2nd	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$30.00	\$30.00	\$28.21	\$30.00
Senior	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$15.00	\$15.00	\$15.00	\$15.00	\$15.00	\$15.00	\$20.00*	\$18.81	\$20.00
N/R Seasonal	\$80.00	\$80.00	\$80.00	\$90.00	\$90.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$115.00	\$115.00	\$120.00*	\$122.24	\$130.00
Dealer Plate	\$30.00	\$30.00	\$30.00	\$30.00	\$30.00	\$35.00	\$35.00	\$35.00	\$35.00	\$35.00	\$40.00	\$40.00	\$42.31	\$45.00
Commercial (hotels, motels)	\$35.00	\$35.00	\$35.00	\$35.00	\$35.00	\$45.00	\$45.00	\$45.00	\$45.00	\$60.00	\$60.00	\$60.00	\$61.12	\$65.00
Resident Day PARK	\$5.00	\$5.00	\$5.00	\$5.00	\$5.00	\$5.00	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$10.64	\$15.00
N/R Daily PARKING	\$15.00	\$15.00	\$15.00	\$15.00	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$30.00	\$30.00	\$30.00	\$28.21	\$30.00
N/R Daily PARKING								\$30.00	\$30.00	\$40.00	\$40.00	\$40.00	\$42.31	\$45.00
Resident Walk-in	\$5.00	\$5.00	\$5.00	\$5.00	\$5.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		
N/R Walk-in Day	\$15.00	\$15.00	\$15.00	\$15.00	\$20.00	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$10.00 pp	\$10.00 pp	\$10.00 pp	N/A	N/A
N/R Season WalkIn	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$20.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$60.00 pp	\$60.00 pp	\$60.00 pp	N/A	N/A
Resident Employee	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$15.00	\$15.00	\$15.00	\$15.00	\$15.00	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$18.81	\$20.00
N/R Employee	\$30.00	\$30.00	\$30.00	\$30.00	\$30.00	\$35.00	\$35.00	\$35.00	\$35.00	\$35.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$52.72	\$55.00
Active Military Resident												\$0.00		
Active Military Non-Resident Season Pass												\$40.00	\$42.31	\$45.00
Active Military Day Pass												\$0.00		
Active Military Non-Resident Day Pass												\$10.00	\$14.11	\$15.00
Weekly Visitors Pass Non-resident (7 consecutive days)												\$75.00	\$75.22	\$80.00
Director Recommended														
* Recommended increase for 2020 with no sales tax														
* Recommended increase with state sales tax added														