# East Lyme Parks and Recreation Regular Meeting Minutes April 9, 2015

Present:

Robert Pfanner

Charles Fenick Jackie Curry Pat Larkin

Milan Keser Roger Nadeau FILED IN EAST LYME

Absent:

William Willetts

Also Present: David Putnam, Director of East Lyme Parks and Recreation

Kevin Seery, Ex officio member of the Board of Selectman

## 1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Pfanner called the East Lyme Parks and Recreation Regular Meeting of April 9. 2015 to order at 7:05 p.m.

## 2. PUBLIC DELEGATIONS

There were no delegations.

#### 3. MINUTES

a.) Minutes of Regular Meeting of March 12, 2015.

MOTION:

Ms. Curry moved to accept the Regular Meeting

Minutes of March 12, 2015, as presented. Seconded by Mr. Larkin. Messrs. Keser and Nadeau abstained from voting.(3-0-2) Motion

carried.

Commission member Charles Fenick arrived.

# 4. DIRECTOR'S REPORT (See attached report.)

Mr. Larkin felt access from the Hole in Wall parking lot should be the same during the week or on the weekend. All other commission members felt access should be closed during the week and open on weekend with parking at McCook's parking lot.

The Commission reviewed the Refund Policy for the Playground and Hang-out Program.

MOTION:

Mr. Fenick moved to approve the refund policy for the playground and hang-out program, as presented. Seconded by Mr. Nadeau. (6-0) Unanimous.

## 5. COMMUNICATIONS

a.) Memos from Dave Putnam, Director of Parks and Recreation, to First Selectman Mark Nickerson, regarding Robin Grandieri and Arlene Wilbur having completed their 90 day probation period.

## 6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a.) Future Park Development. There was no further discussion on future park development.
- b.) Boardwalk Construction Update. Hole-in-the Wall beach will be impacted by the Boardwalk construction.
- c.) Budget FY 2015-2016. General Government budget was cut by \$150,000 by the Board of Finance.
- d.) WebTrac. WebTrac was approved at a Town Meeting and a Purchase Order has been submitted.

## 7. COMMITTEE REPORTS

There were no committee reports.

### 8. NEW BUSINESS

- a.) Signs on Liberty Green; allowing stake style signs. It was felt only sandwich boards should be allowed.
- b.) Proposed changes to Men's Softball League Bylaws. Mr. Larkin suggested that item 7. c) on page 4 of the new proposed Bylaws "Each violator will be reinstated on his team's next league game." should be deleted.

MOTION:

Mr. Fenick moved to approve the new proposed Men's Softball League Bylaws, as amended. Seconded by Mr. Nadeau. (6-0) Unanimous

#### 9. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION:

Ms. Curry moved to adjourn the Parks and Recreation Regular Meeting of April 9, 2015 at 7:45 p.m. Seconded by Mr. Larkin. (6-0) Unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Frances Ghersi, Recording Secretary

# Director's Report April 9, 2015

#### McCook Point Park:

- Beach stickers went on sale Wednesday, April 1 to date we have issued
- Restrooms have been opened at the Hole in the Wall, the two bathrooms at McCook will opened later this week.
- Opening day with Lifeguards is scheduled for Friday, June 19<sup>th</sup>. We will have Gate Attendants on weekends starting May 23<sup>rd</sup> and daily starting June 19.

#### **Board walk:**

- Construction will continue throughout the summer, I met with the contractor and town staff yesterday to discuss impacts on the Hole in the Wall Beach.
  - Access to the Hole in Wall beach will remain closed until Saturday, June 20.
  - Access from the Hole in Wall parking lot will be closed Monday-Friday, June 20-Labor Day weekend. Access to the beach will be granted from the upper parking lot at McCook.
  - o Access on weekends will be available unless special circumstances arise.

### **Athletic Facilities:**

- Fields officially opened on Thursday, April 2<sup>nd</sup> which is exactly the same time as last year, the fields made it through the winter in great shape.
- Varsity Softball first home game is scheduled for Saturday, April 11
- Little League and Babe Ruth will start play on April 20<sup>th</sup> with the official opening day of Little League scheduled for Saturday, April 25.
- The first War at the Shore Baseball Tournament is scheduled for this weekend.
- New restroom facility at Vets was opened this week the old restroom will be taken down later next week.
- Little League is making significant improvements to the concession stand at Vets Softball.

### **Budget:**

General Government budget was cut by \$150,000.00 by the Board of Finance.
Upcoming budget meetings include the Town Meeting on May 11<sup>th</sup> 7 p.m. at the High School and Budget referendum is May 21.

#### Miscellaneous:

- WEB TRAC was approved at a Town meeting last month we have the Purchase Order and will have shortly.
- Refund policy for summer programs is provided for your review and approval.
- First tree of the Memorial Tree Program will be planted on Saturday, April 18 at the Town Hall.