

East Lyme Parks and Recreation Commission
Regular Meeting Minutes
May, 14, 2015

Present: Robert Pfanner
Roger Nadeau
Pat Larkin
William Willetts

FILED IN EAST LYME
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MAY 15, 2015 AT 10:40 AM/PM
William Willetts
EAST LYME TOWN CLERK

Absent: Jackie Curry
Milan Keser
Charles Fenick

Also Present: David Putnam, Director East Lyme Parks and Recreation
Kevin Seery, Ex-Officio member Board of Selectman

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Pfanner called the East Lyme Parks and Recreation Regular meeting of May 14, 2015 to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. PUBLIC DELEGATIONS – There were no delegations.

3. MINUTES

a.) Minutes of the April 9, 2015

MOTION: Mr. Larkin moved to accept the Regular Meeting Minutes of April 9, 2015, as presented. Seconded by Mr. Nadeau. Mr. Willetts abstained from voting (3-0-1) Motion carried.

4. DIRECTOR'S REPORT (See attached report)

- a. The commission reviewed a proposal from Katherine Thuma from Fit4Mom about conducting Stroller Strides classes in the evenings at McCook Point Park. Consensus of the commission that program take place after 6:00 p.m. and that those participants without a season pass be required to purchase a \$20.00 parking placard for use of the park after 6:00 p.m.

5. COMMUNICATIONS – There were no communications.

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a. Future Park Development – no discussion
- b. Boardwalk Construction Update – progress is continuing, contractor has started to turn over the lower field area back to the Parks and Recreation Department.

- c. Budget FY 2015-2016 – Town wide referendum scheduled for Thursday, May 21 at the Community Center, voting will take place from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Parks and Recreation Budget request has been cut by \$10,000.00.
- d. WEB TRAC – Purchase has been approved looking at a fall installation.

7. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. Band Shell Committee will be meeting on Thursday, May 28, 6:00 p.m. at McCook Point Park.

8. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Vendor proposal for McCook Point Park and Peretz Park at Bridebrook.

MOTION: Mr. Nadeau moved to approve the vendor proposals from Doc's Flavor King for the exclusive Ice Cream/Food Vendor rights for McCook Point Park and Peretz Park at Bridebrook as outlined in the vendor instructions for the 2015 season, Seconded by Mr. Willetts. (4-0) Motion Carried.

9. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Mr. Larkin moved to adjourn the regular meeting of the Parks and Recreation Commission at 7:40 p.m. Seconded by Mr. Nadeau. (4-0) Motion Carried.

Respectfully Submitted

David M. Putnam, Director
East Lyme Parks and Recreation Department

Director's Report
May 14, 2015

McCook Point Park:

- Gate Attendants will start on Saturday, May 23 for the Memorial Day weekend.
- Number of beach passes issued to date 600.
- Touch-A-Truck is scheduled for Saturday, May 16th, rain date of May 17th. Niantic Bay 10K scheduled for Friday, June 12th.
- Contractor for the Boardwalk has begun work on spreading top soil and seeding the area just below the existing Pavilion.
- Swim area buoy's and the raft will be installed the week before Memorial Day weekend.
- Sign Kiosk's are being installed near the Pavilion and the tent in the next few weeks as part of an Eagle Scout Project.
- Tent was erected the third week in April, it is holding up well.
- Access to the Hole in the Wall beach is permitted during the weekends. I have monitors at the entrance from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., possible parking for HIW beach during the week??
- All 3rd grade classes attended a nature's classroom at the Hole in Wall on Tuesday, May 12th.
- We will be line striping the parking lots at Cini and Hole in Wall in the next few weeks.

Athletic Facilities:

- East Lyme Youth Lacrosse donated an additional protective netting system for between the Keser Field and the Basketball Courts.
- Materials for the new Pavilion have been delivered hope to have installed in the next few weeks. Once complete we move into the installation of dugout roofs.
- Fields are in great shape maintenance crew continues to do an outstanding job.
- East Lyme Little League has completed renovations to the concession stand on the Vets Softball field.

Budget:

- Town meeting was held on Monday, May 11th, referendum is scheduled for Thursday, May 21st. To date our budget has been cut by \$10,000.00.

Miscellaneous:

- First tree in the Trees for Tomorrow campaign was installed on April 18th at the Town Hall in honor of Paul Formica. I have one additional order for a tree at Peretz Park @ Bridebrook.
- Men's Softball started games on Monday, May 11 we have 9 teams participating this year.
- CT Trails Day hike we sponsor with the "Friends of Oswegatchie Hills" is scheduled for Saturday, June 6 starting at 10 a.m. at Veterans Memorial Park.

