

East Haddam Recreation Commission
Regular Meeting Minutes
July 10, 2017

Attending: D. Carbo; M. Colpoys; M. Davis; C. Grillo; W. Parkus; T. Piscioti; M. Roberts; T. Quinn
Absent: M. Francese; P. Laffan
Guests: S. Wheeler

Mr. Parkus called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m.

Guests & Audience

There was no guest or audience discussion at the meeting.

Approval of Minutes – June 12, 2017 Regular Meeting

DR. COLPOYS MADE A MOTION, SECONDED BY MS. ROBERTS, TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE JUNE 12, 2017 REGULAR MEETING AS WRITTEN. UNANIMOUS AYE.

Committee Report

- Music On The River - Ms. Roberts reported that new lighting equipment has been purchased and the first concert of the season will be held on July 17th. She noted that she is in the process of placing public service announcements for the event with several public radio stations. She also advised that Liberty Bank has invited a radio station to the August 21st event which will broadcast the concert live. There was a brief discussion about renting table space to vendors and the Commissioners agreed to continue the policy of not encouraging vendors at the events.

Ms. Roberts stated that Jansky Rubbish will loan the Rec Commission six wheeled dumpsters which they will empty after each event. She added that Goodspeed has agreed to provide space to store the dumpsters between events.

- Disk Golf – Mr. Carbo reported that the supplier of the nets for the new course would like to organize a tournament in September. Ms. Quinn agreed to provide guidance on the steps needed to schedule the event.

New Business

1. Director's Report - Ms. Quinn reported the following:
 - Day camp registrations were low, however, they are starting to pick-up.
 - Music on the River donations are lower than normal. She noted, however, that a number of large contributors have not yet submitted their regular donations.

- She has not received any feedback from the public on the changes to the day camp program or the staffing at the Town beach.

Old Business

1. **Sports Programs** – Mr. Grillo reviewed the discussion regarding co-ed vs. gender-specific basketball programs. There was a general discussion regarding the organization of the fall clinic and winter basketball programs and the fall and spring soccer programs.

MR. GRILLO MADE A MOTION, SECONDED BY MR. DAVIS, THAT THE KINDERGARTEN THROUGH 3RD GRADE TEAMS FOR THE FALL CLINIC PROGRAM SHALL BE CO-ED AND THE OLDER GRADES WILL BE GENDER-SPECIFIC. FURTHER, THAT THE KINDERGARTEN THROUGH 4TH GRADE TEAMS FOR THE WINTER PROGRAM SHALL BE CO-ED AND THE OLDER GRADES WILL BE GENDER-SPECIFIC. UNANIMOUS AYE.

MR. GRILLO MADE A MOTION, SECONDED BY MR. DAVIS, THAT THE KINDERGARTEN THROUGH 2ND GRADE FALL AND SPRING SOCCER TEAMS SHALL BE CO-ED. UNANIMOUS AYE.

Next Meeting

Ms. Quinn advised that the August meeting is cancelled. The next Recreation Commission meeting is scheduled for September 11th at 7:00 p.m. at the Elementary School.

MR. GRILLO MADE A MOTION, SECONDED BY MS. ROBERTS, TO ADJOURN THE MEETING. UNANIMOUS AYE.

The meeting adjourned at 7:39 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Sharon R. Wheeler
Recording Secretary