

PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSIONS
AMENDED MINUTES
January 8, 2019

PRESENT: Chairman Joseph Schettino, Commissioners Michael Sutyla, Julie Mendez, Rob Stopkoski

Also present: Director Robert Potter

Absent: Rob Karcich, Robert Neri and Harry Swaun

Guest: Kelley Nichols

The meeting was called to order at 7:02p.m.

Minutes:

A motion was made by R. Stopkoski and seconded by M. Sutyla to table the minutes of the special meeting on October 2, 2018 and the minutes of the regular meeting on October 2, 2018. The motion was carried unanimously.

Correspondence: None

Old Business:

STEAP Grant:

- There is no update to the status because there is no building committee.
- J. Schettino doesn't think there is enough money left to remove all the old visitor bleachers and install new bleachers.
- The following questions need to answered:
 - For bidding purposes, is the grant to be used to dismantle the bleachers and re-erect the bleachers somewhere else? If so, are we allowed to move them off Peter's Complex? If not, where will bleachers be stored?
 - Is there a possibility for a second opinion?
 - Can the bleachers be improved or repaired rather than completely replaced?
 - If so, could a new pavilion be built with the cost difference?
- A motion was made by M. Sutyla and seconded by J. Schettino to authorize J. Mendez to get update on the status of STEAP grant from Peter Neff. The motion was carried unanimously.
- A motion was made by M. Sutyla and seconded by R. Stopkoski to ask the 1st Selectman to take ownership of grant. The motion was carried unanimously.
- A motion was made by M. Sutyla and seconded by R. Stopkoski to authorize R. Potter and J. Schettino to conduct a peer study on the remainder of the STEAP grant and the visitor bleachers. The motion was carried unanimously.
- J. Schettino requested authorization of \$500 to have the peer study conducted

Freedom of Information and Charter Compliance Issues:

- No discussion

Policy – Peters Concession Stand:

- A motion was made by M. Sutyla and seconded by R. Stopkoski to table this for the February 5, 2019 meeting. The motion was carried unanimously.
- K. Nichols to email concession rules to commission members

Pickle-ball Dates: P & R vs BOS:

- A motion was made R. Stopkoski and seconded by J. Mendez to move this to the Director’s Report. The motion was carried unanimously.

CEC – Update on Presentation:

- Nothing new to add

New Business:

Election of Officers:

- A motion was made by J. Mendez and seconded by R. Stopkoski to table this for the February 5, 2019 meeting. The motion was carried unanimously.

Adoption of P & R Calendar of Meetings: February 2019 through January 2020:

- A motion was by M. Sutyla and seconded by J. Mendez to publish P & R calendar on the town website calendar. The motion was carried unanimously.

P & R Budget 2019-2020:

- A motion was made by M. Sutyla and seconded by J. Mendez to move this to the Director’s Report. The motion was carried unanimously.

Beach Pass Income:

- Recommended an evaluation of data be done every few years
- R. Potter reported parking situation much improved with the new charges the commission implemented.

Beach Pavilion Report:

- No discussion

Set Date for Scheduling Meeting:

- Move scheduling date to March
- A motion was made by R. Stopkoski and seconded by J. Mendez that a notice be sent on February 8, 2019 to all leagues (i.e. Little League, Lacrosse, Soccer, etc.) regarding a spring sports field request deadline of February 22, 2019. The motion was carried unanimously.
- A motion was made by R. Stopkoski and seconded by J. Mendez that a final notice be sent to all leagues (i.e. Little League, Lacrosse, Soccer, etc.) on February 19, 2019 regarding a spring sports field request deadline of February 22, 2019. The motion was carried unanimously.
- A motion was made by R. Stopkoski and seconded by J. Mendez to discuss adding fees for non-Clinton/Adult leagues. The motion was denied.

A recess was called at 7:58p.m.

Meeting was called back to order at 8:04p.m.

Director's Report:

- Budget review meeting with the Board of Selectman was moved to February 5th
- P & R is asking for a little more than \$10,000 increase which includes salary increases and a service contract for software
- The First Selectman requested R. Potter and J. Schettino look into and apply for an Urban Waters Restoration Grant for Hesper's Pond. The deadline for the application is January 31, 2019. After looking into this, they don't believe the Urban Waters Restoration Grant offers enough money to be useful to Clinton. We also don't have anyone with the expertise to complete the application
- Pickle-ball dedication will take place in the spring as soon as the weather breaks.

M. Sutyla made a motion, seconded by R Kopkoski to adjourn the meeting. The motion was unanimously approved and the meeting was adjourned at 8:36p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kelley Nichols
Clerk