

MINUTES
PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION
May 2, 2023
7:00 P.M.
Indian River Complex Office

Present: Joe Schettino, Michael Sutyla, Ronald Stopkoski, Julie Mendez, Robert Karcich

- Chris Passante (arrived 7:02pm) Chris Williams (arrived 8:12pm)

Also Present: Robert Potter

Meeting was called to order @ 7:00p.m.

Meeting Minutes:

- M. Sutyla made a motion seconded by J. Mendez, to approve the minutes from March 7, 2023. The motion was approved unanimously.

Correspondence:

- Emails sent to R. Potter all in support of pickleball.

Old Business:

- Shellfish Commission: M. Sutyla made a motion seconded by R. Karcich to have a special meeting on Wednesday, May 24th at 6pm to formally discuss and resolve issues. R. Potter will contact the shellfish commission and arrange and confirm the meeting. Note: A meeting reminder will be sent to all P&R Commissioners one week before. The motion was approved unanimously.
- Policies and Procedures: C. Williams was not present so R. Stopkoski motioned seconded M. Sutyla to table for the June 6th meeting. The motion was approved unanimously.
- Development Projects: future short and long term goals: M. Sutyla motioned seconded J. Mendez to table for the June 6th meeting. Goals will be merged onto an Excel spreadsheet with no duplicates. The goals will be categorized by individual name, and a copy of each person's goals attached. The motion was approved unanimously.

New Business:

- Pickleball-P&R Commission addressed and discussed: The recommendation is relocating the IRRC's basketball court to the beach and have all pickleball courts at IRRC. This suggestion aims to optimize the paid study, best locations while minimizing cost to taxpayers. The recommendation that will go to the Town Council for vote. M. Sutyla made a motion seconded by J. Mendez. The motion was approved unanimously.
- P&R Soccer: Concerns were presented to P&R Commission on the soccer program which were addressed.

Director's Report:

- I feel the P&R Commission made the right decision in suggesting the possibly of the IRRC basketball court be converted to pickleball and final decision left to the Town Council.
- Thank you: Clinton parents and children have sent in cards expressing their appreciation for all that P&R Commission does for the community.
- Beach staff: up and running, and ready for opening day.
- Water Line Leak: cracks are appearing at Peters; Connecticut Water will check area.

- Tree-Rock-Bench & Plaque:
 - a) Tree was donated by Gary.
 - b) Rock is in place.
 - c) Morgan Bench will go to the beach.
 - d) Plaque will be ready in 4 weeks.
- Peter's Sign: R. Stopkoski will let R.Potter know where to place it.
- IRRRC Sign: needs repairs. Last restoration was about 10-12 years ago.

Meeting Adjourned: A motion was made by R. Karcich, seconded by J. Mendez to adjourn the meeting at 9:15pm. The motion carried unanimously and the meeting was adjourned.