



Incorporated 1787

Parks & Recreation Commission

REGULAR MEETING

MINUTES

MONDAY, APRIL 8, 2013

7:45 P.M.

WESTON TOWN HALL

DAUGHERTY COMMISSION ROOM

Eric Albert
Chairman
Committees:
Administrative,
Programs

Brian Collins
Vice Chairman
Committee:
Administrative

Carl Bernstein
Commissioner
Committees:
Fields, Parks

Marc Butlein
Commissioner
Committee:
Programs

Robert Uzenoff
Commissioner
Committee:

Jed Ferdinand
Secretary
Committee:
Aquatics

David Juneau
Commissioner
Committee: Fields

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Official action of the commission in these minutes is indicated by underlining.

The Weston Parks and Recreation Commission (WPRC) held its regular monthly meeting on Monday, April 8, 2013 at Weston Town Hall. Commissioners present: Eric Albert, Marc Butlein, Brian Collins, Jed Ferdinand, Dave Juneau and Robert Uzenoff. Commissioners absent: Carl Bernstein. Call to order: Chairman Albert called the meeting to order at 7:45 p.m.

1) Approval of Minutes.

Minutes of the February 12, 2013 regular meeting were approved. For: Albert, Butlein, Collins, Juneau, and Ferdinand. Abstained: Uzenoff. Against: None. Motion carried 5-0.

Minutes of the March 11, 2013 regular meeting were approved. For: Albert, Butlein, Collins, Juneau, Ferdinand and Uzenoff. Against: None. Motion carried 6-0.

2) Public Forum.

None.

3) Unfinished Business

a) Review of Action Items: None.

b) Weston Little League Sponsorship: The Commission is waiting for WLL to get back in touch with further details about its plan to implement sponsorships.

- 31 c) Capital and Operating Budgets: Mr. Ungar reported that last week
32 the Board of Finance approved P&R's proposed budgets at a
33 hearing. P&R's budget was approved along with the Town budget
34 and P&R's budget remained intact.
- 35 d) P&R Staffing: The Commission continued to discuss the impact of
36 the Town's decision to reduce the P&R employee responsible for
37 landscaping. The Commission asked Mr. Ungar to consider the
38 issue and to present options for dealing with this staff reduction.
- 39 4) Report of standing committees and resulting motions:
- 40 a) Administrative Committee:
- 41 i) Mr. Ungar distributed three reports detailing program revenues
42 and expenditures to date – Activity Bottom Line Report, Total
43 Winter Program Report and Year to Date Program Report. The
44 reason for the current deficit is that P&R receives most of the
45 money for summer programs prior to July 1 each year, but the
46 majority of its summer expenditures occur after July 1 each year
47 (and thus appear on separate budgets).
- 48 ii) Mr. Ungar reported on BOE's final decision that P&R will not
49 have access to Hurlbutt South House for adult programming
50 during the school day due to security concerns. In light of the
51 Town's mandate for P&R to offer more adult programming, the
52 Commission discussed possible alternative locations, including
53 Weston Library, Norfield Church and the Grange.
- 54 b) Aquatics: None.
- 55 c) Fields: Mr. Ungar reported that the repairs for the backstops at
56 Bisceglie should be completed this week. Otherwise, Mr. Ungar is
57 satisfied with the condition of the fields.
- 58 d) Parks:
- 59 i) Mr. Ungar reported that vandalism had occurred at Bisceglie.
60 Someone took a hammer and damaged the vending machine.
61 Mr. Ungar reported this incident to the police.
- 62 ii) Mr. Ungar reported that an Eagle Scout is hanging signs at
63 Keene Park and is installing bike racks at Bisceglie and
64 Morehouse Parks.
- 65 iii) Otherwise, Mr. Ungar is satisfied with the condition of the
66 parks.
- 67 5) New Business:
- 68 i) Mr. Ungar reported that sports camp registration will begin at
69 the end of April. This popular camp will run for 4 weeks, with
70 an option to sign up for 2-week sessions depending on
71 availability.

- 72 ii) Mr. Ungar reported that 7 people had signed up for Body Blast,
73 an adult program.
- 74 iii) Mr. Ungar raised the issue that P&R contractors were being
75 treated as Town employees for tax purposes, instead of as 1099
76 contractors. The Commission found this to be at odds with its
77 understanding of how independent contractors should be
78 characterized for tax purposes. At the same time, the
79 Commission believes this matter should be addressed by the
80 Town management and counsel.
- 81 iv) Mr. Ungar reported that Eric Tyson had rescinded his prior
82 request for P&R sponsored squash clinics.
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- 84 6) Correspondence: None.
- 85 7) Announcements: None.
- 86 8) Adjournment: The Commission adjourned at 9:03 p.m. Collins/Juneau
87 motion and second. All in favor 6-0.
- 88 Respectfully Submitted,
- 89 Jed Ferdinand, Secretary

