

TOWN of WESTON, CONNECTICUT



Incorporated 1787

Parks & Recreation Commission

REGULAR MEETING

MINUTES

MONDAY, AUGUST 12, 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, August 12, 2013 at Weston Town Hall. Commissioners present: Eric Albert (by phone), Carl Bernstein, Brian Collins, Jed Ferdinand and Dave Juneau. Bill Shaeffer and Lynn Stevens appeared on behalf of Parks & Rec. Call to order: Chairman Albert called the meeting to order at 7:45 p.m.

1) Approval of Minutes.

Minutes of the June 10, 2013 regular meeting were approved. For: Albert, Bernstein, Collins, Ferdinand, Juneau. Motion carried 5-0.

2) Public Forum.

None.

3) Unfinished Business

a) Review of Action Items:

1) Summer Camp Staffing: Commissioner Albert requested to defer consideration until the September meeting and asked Mr. Shaeffer to prepare new compensation figures for the Commission's review. Mr. Shaeffer presented detailed reports on the P&R's 2013 summer camps. No financial figures yet. He will present those in September. Attendance was down for some of the programs. The primary future question is how best to increase attendance in future years.

- 32 2) July 4th Fireworks: The Commission reviewed a preliminary
33 July 4th recap. Attendance and revenue figures were up from
34 2012. All reported a positive event with the benefit of good
35 weather. The new youth triathlon was well attended. P&R will
36 prepare a final report for the Commission's consideration at the
37 September meeting.
- 38 4) Report of standing committees and resulting motions:
- 39 a) Administrative Committee: Commissioner Albert requested to
40 defer review of P&R's monthly financial reports until the
41 September meeting.
- 42 b) Aquatics: Lynn Stevens presented a preliminary report on 2013
43 figures for attendance at Bisceglie Pond. There were 185 family
44 memberships, which was an increase of 40 over 2012. The average
45 daily attendance was between 50 to 60. Overall, attendance was
46 very positive and P&R was pleased with the condition of Bisceglie
47 Pond for Summer 2013. Ms. Stevens also stated that the pool at the
48 Middle School was closed as of July 26 for routine maintenance.
49 The pool will reopen for the first day of school on August 26.
- 50 c) Fields:
- 51 i) Commissioner Albert gave the Commission advance notice that
52 Weston Little League is considering putting lights on one of the
53 Bisceglie fields. This is in the preliminary stages at present.
54 WLL believes that it can raise the funds and will come to the
55 Commission with a plan at the appropriate time.
- 56 ii) Commissioner Albert reported on the first meeting of a group
57 that has formed with the goal of constructing lights on Stadium
58 Field. This will be driven by private clubs and the Board of
59 Education. The Commission will be involved in a supporting role
60 and will assist as appropriate.
- 61 iii) Mr. Shaeffer reported that P&R hired Chris Muir as its new
62 field employee. Mr. Muir is also the Town's part-time dog warden.
63 His position will run from March 15 to November 15 each year, but
64 the longer calendar schedule resulted in a reduction of his weekly
65 hours by the town.
- 66 iv) Mr. Shaeffer is satisfied with the condition of the fields.
- 67 d) Parks:
- 68 i) Mr. Shaeffer is satisfied with the condition of the parks.
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- 70 5) New Business: None.
- 71 6) Correspondence: None.

72 7) Announcements: None.

73 8) Adjournment: The Commission adjourned at 8:45 p.m.
74 Bernstein/Juneau motion and second. All in favor 5-0.

75 Respectfully Submitted,

76 Jed Ferdinand, Secretary

