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Parks & Recreation Commission

REGULAR MEETING

MINUTES

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 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, September 9, 2013 at Weston Town Hall. Commissioners present: Eric Albert, Marc Butlein, Carl Bernstein, Jed Ferdinand, Dave Juneau and Bob Uzenoff. Public Present: Marcia Hamelin and Sallie Korsh (Weston Soccer) and Rich Hassan, Jennifer Fruhbeis and Seve Esposito (Weston Little League). Call to order: Chairman Albert called the meeting to order at 7:45 p.m.

1) Approval of Minutes.

Minutes of the August 12, 2013 regular meeting were approved. For: Albert, Bernstein, Butlein, Ferdinand, Juneau, Uzenoff. Motion carried 6-0.

2) Public Forum.

a) Proposed Memorial for A.J. Cina by Weston Soccer

Marcia Hamelin and Sallie Korsh appeared on behalf of Weston Soccer to request approval for a memorial for A.J. Cina. While A.J. known as a great baseball player, he also participated in Weston Soccer for many years and the organization would like to erect a memorial in his honor. They suggested perhaps naming a field for him. The Commission responded that historically the Town has been reluctant to permit naming rights even in the most deserving of circumstances, because it would establish precedent.

32 Commissioner Uzenoff suggested that Weston Soccer consider a  
33 memorial gift rather than a formal request from the Town. The  
34 representatives of Weston Soccer indicated that they would  
35 consider all options and would come back to the Commission with  
36 a proposal.

37 b) Proposed Memorial for A.J. Cina by Weston Little League

38 Rich Hassan, Jen Fruhbeis and Seve Esposito, board members of  
39 Weston Little League, appeared before the Commission to discuss  
40 WLL's proposal to honor A.J. Cina. After A.J.'s tragic death, the  
41 Cina family asked that donations in his honor be made to WLL. As  
42 a result, the organization received considerable funds. They would  
43 like to use this money to honor A.J. by (1) re-naming one field at  
44 BSP in his honor; (2) erecting lights on one of the fields; and (3)  
45 erecting a new scorer's booth. They understand that this is a major  
46 project that will require 100% private funding. A lengthy  
47 discussion ensued about some of the challenges that a project of  
48 this magnitude would present. Members of the Commission  
49 encouraged WLL to come back with a detailed proposal for the  
50 Commission's consideration. WLL agreed.

51 3) Unfinished Business

52 None.

53 4) Report of standing committees and resulting motions:

54 a) Administrative Committee: Dave Ungar presented reports for the  
55 Commission's consideration.

56 (i) The report of the July 4<sup>th</sup> fireworks event was  
57 positive. The figures were very similar to last year.  
58 Pre-paid parking, which was new this year, resulted  
59 in additional revenues. The Commission will  
60 consider ways to generate additional revenues for  
61 next year, including through increased sponsorships.

62 (ii) The financial report showed the net revenue for the  
63 Enterprise Fund for the 2013 budget year at \$37,400.  
64 \$20,000 was paid to the Town as an offset for the  
65 Program Director's salary and another \$10,000 was  
66 used for improvements at BSP. This resulted in net  
67 income of \$7,400 for 2013. Presently, the Enterprise  
68 Fund has a balance of \$86,000.

69 b) Aquatics: Mr. Ungar presented a report for Bisceglie Scribner Pond  
70 for Summer 2013. The attendance was a total of 908. That was an  
71 increase over the prior year of almost 100. Commissioner Butlein  
72 suggested that P&R set a goal for increased attendance for next  
73 summer – perhaps 1,000 total.

- 74 c) Fields: Mr. Ungar reported that the new P&R fields maintenance  
75 employee is performing very well. Mr. Ungar is awaiting the fields  
76 report from Dr. Dest. Mr. Ungar is satisfied with the condition of  
77 the fields.
- 78 d) Parks: See above re: Bisceglie Scribner Park. Also, Eagle Scouts  
79 erected new bike racks at BSP and MFP. Mr. Ungar is satisfied  
80 with the condition of the parks.
- 81 5) New Business: Chairman Albert reported on the status of the  
82 movement to install lights on Stadium Field. He and Commissioners  
83 Bernstein and Butlein are on a committee that supports putting lights  
84 on the field. The Commission will have no formal role since it has no  
85 jurisdiction over Stadium Field, but will provide a supporting role as  
86 appropriate given its prior involvement with the installation of lights on  
87 Varsity Field.
- 88 6) Correspondence: None.
- 89 7) Announcements: None.
- 90 8) Adjournment: The Commission adjourned at 10:00 p.m.  
91 Bernstein/Juneau motion and second. All in favor 6-0.
- 92 Respectfully Submitted,  
93 Jed Ferdinand, Secretary

