

**REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES
MONDAY, JANUARY 11, 2016
7:45 P.M.**

**WESTON TOWN HALL
DAUGHERTY COMMISSION ROOM**

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The Weston Parks and Recreation Commission (WPRC) held its regular monthly meeting on Monday, January 11, 2016 at Weston Town Hall. Commissioners present: Eric Albert, David Juneau, Mark Crowley, Jed Ferdinand, and Brian Collins. Also present: Dave Ungar, Parks & Recreation Director. Call to order: Chairman Albert called the meeting to order at 7:47 p.m.

1) Approval of Minutes.

There was a motion to approve the minutes of the January 11, 2016 meeting with minor edits by Commissioner Juneau that was seconded by Commissioner Ferdinand. Motion was approved. For: 5 / Against: 0.

2) Public Forum – None

3) Unfinished Business

- a) Review of action items due from January 11, 2016 meeting – none.
- b) Other unfinished business – none.

4) Report of standing committees:

a) Administrative Committee:

- i) AEDs at parks discussion and update – Mr. Ungar provided an update of the plan for the donation of AEDs to Weston for use at the parks and schools. He noted he met with individuals from the Western Connecticut Health Network to tour the parks and the plan is to put 2 AEDs at Bisceglie (one at the pond and one at the fields) and 2 at Moorehouse fields. He also noted the Network plans to maintain the AEDs going forward.
- ii) Parks and Recreation Operating and Capital Budget – Mr. Ungar provided an update on the Parks and Recreation Department 2016-17 Operating Budget Request that was submitted to the first selectwoman and administrator noting the process was proceeding as expected.
- iii) Program Director Position – Mr. Ungar informed the Commission that the current Program Director, Bill Schaeffer, will retire effective April 1, 2016. As a result, Mr. Ungar has started the process of finding a replacement. The Commission discussed the process for identifying the new Program Director and agreed on how to proceed (including understanding the Commissions involvement in the process).

b) Aquatics Committee:

- i) Air handling unit at pool – Mr. Ungar informed the Commission of concerns at the pool with the air handling unit making the air temperature too cold during the colder winter days. He noted a plan is in place by the school to fix the problem in the coming weeks.

c) Fields Committee:

- i) Little league storage shed and concession building – Chairman Albert provided an update of the Weston Little League’s plan at Bisceglie for utilization of the storage sheds and plans for a new concession stand (snack shack). He noted they are working on the designs and will present such at a future meeting.

d) Programs Committee:

- i) Youth basketball program - Chairman Albert and Mr. Ungar provided a summary of how the basketball program is proceeding noting the program has been extremely successful this year. One concern is the lack of involvement of parent coaches. Mr. Ungar noted they are increasing outreach to parents to get more involvement and will provide the Commission with an update at a future meeting.
- ii) Ski trips – Mr. Ungar provided an update on the ski trip program noting the first trip was successful (even with the lack of real snow...the mountain was open with manmade snow). He indicated the kids had a great time and expects the same for the remaining 3 weeks.

e) Parks Committee:

- i) Surveillance and Monitoring Company – Mr. Ungar indicated that he is still trying to work with the police department about a plan for surveillance devices at Bisceglie Park to address the recent vandalism. He plans to report back to the Commission at a future meeting.

5) New Business:

- a) Election of officers – Election of the officers for 2015 – Commissioner Juneau nominated Eric Albert to remain as Chairman of the P&RC for 2016 and Brian Collins to serve as Vice Chairman. After discussion, Commissioner Juneau motioned to approve these new officials which was seconded by Commissioner Crowley. Motion was approved. For: 5 / Against: 0.

6) Correspondence: None

7) Announcements: None

- 8) Adjournment: Motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Juneau and seconded by Chairman Albert. Motion was approved. For: 5 / Against: 0.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:37pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mark Crowley, Secretary