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Parks & Recreation Commission

**REGULAR MEETING**

**MINUTES**

**MONDAY DECEMBER 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, December 9, 2013 at Weston Town Hall. Commissioners present: Eric Albert, Carl Bernstein, Dave Juneau and Bob Uzenoff. Commissioners absent: Marc Butlein, Jed Ferdinand and Brian Collins. Public Present: None. Call to order: Chairman Albert called the meeting to order at 7:50 p.m.

Chairman Albert Opened the meeting by recognizing retiring Commissioner Robert A. Uzenoff for his 17 plus years of outstanding service and dedication to the Parks & Recreation Commission and Town of Weston. All Commissioners and Department Director Ungar expressed their gratitude for all Bob has done to benefit the Town of Weston.

1) Approval of Minutes.

Minutes of the November 4, 2013 regular meetings were approved.  
For: Albert, Bernstein, Juneau and Uzenoff. Motions carried 4-0.

2) Public Forum.

None.

3) Unfinished Business

a) Review of Action Items: none.

4) Report of standing committees and resulting motions:

32 a) Administrative Committee Chairman Albert reported on an  
33 informational meeting held with neighbors of the Bisceglie Scribner  
34 Park in which Little League presented their proposal to install  
35 lighting and a scorer's booth at BSP field #1. Discussion followed  
36 afterwards where neighbors had the chance to ask questions and  
37 offer their thoughts on the LL proposal. Arrangements are being  
38 made to have Musco Lighting bring in a crane with lights raised to  
39 70 feet so the neighbors can view what the proposed lighting would  
40 look like. Potential sound from the scorer's booth was discussed as  
41 well. Minimal sound announcements would be proposed for the  
42 playing of the national anthem and brief player introductions but no  
43 play by play announcements will be made of the games according  
44 to Little League representative Seve Esposito.

45 Dave Ungar gave the November financial report for programs.

46 The 2014-15 proposed Operating and Capital Budget for Parks &  
47 Recreation was presented to the Commission by Dave Ungar for  
48 Commissioner review, discussion and approval. All full time  
49 employee salaries will remain the same as prior year pending the  
50 Union negotiating any potential increases.

51 The proposed Administration budget was presented and discussed.  
52 Commissioner Bernstein moved to approve with a second by  
53 Commissioner Juneau. All in favor 4-0

54 The proposed Parks & Grounds budget was presented and  
55 discussed. Increase proposed due to an increase in the Town  
56 contribution towards the Board of Education school campus  
57 grounds maintenance budget. A part of this increase is due to the  
58 Town being back charged for the lower Turf field lighting electrical  
59 costs. Discussion followed as to whether the lights user groups  
60 should be charged for the lighting costs. Commissioner Bernstein  
61 moved to approve with a second by Commissioner Juneau. All in  
62 favor 4-0.

63 The proposed Middle School pool budget was presented and  
64 discussed. Increase proposed due to this year being a pool painting  
65 cycle year for pool maintenance and an increase in part time  
66 lifeguard hours. Discussion followed as to whether there should be  
67 a sinking fund created in the pool budget to cover the painting cost  
68 on an annual basis rather than having a budget spike every 3 to 4  
69 years when painting is required. Commissioner Uzenoff moved to  
70 approve with a second by Commissioner Juneau. All in favor 4-0.

71 The proposed Capital Budget was presented and discussed at the  
72 November 4<sup>th</sup> meeting. The proposed 10 year Capital Budget was  
73 presented and discussed. Commissioner Bernstein moved to  
74 approve the total capital budget proposal with a second by  
75 Commissioner Juneau. All in favor 4-0.

76 Commissioner Uzenoff commented favorably on the timely budget  
77 presentation and delivery to the Commission.

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79 b) Aquatics: Mr. Ungar reports that all aquatics facilities are in good  
80 working order. The pool HVAC system which was scheduled to  
81 be installed last summer has been re-engineered and ordered.  
82 HVAC system will be installed in 15 to 16 weeks bringing us to the  
83 end of spring or early summer for installation of the unit. The  
84 standing unit will be placed on the pool patio and the ductwork is  
85 already in place along the ceiling of the pool facility.

86 c) Fields: Chairman Albert reported that the field lighting proposal  
87 for the Football stadium field is in the stage of presentations to the  
88 Board of Education facilities committee by the field lighting  
89 committee. Public attendance at these meeting has been good and  
90 neighbors of the stadium field have been invited to be a part of the  
91 facilities committee process. A visit to the Staples lighted stadium  
92 field is being planned. Board of Education Finance Director Jo-Ann  
93 Keating is forming a turf replacement committee for Varsity Soccer  
94 Field. Schedule for replacement is in the summer of 2014.  
95 Committee members will include Mark Berkowitz, Dan Clarke,  
96 Ellen Uzenoff, Dave Ungar, Terri Clevenger and Marc Butlein. The  
97 Committee will study recent turf replacement projects of other local  
98 towns and will hope to go out to bid based upon the best turf  
99 recommendation for Weston's field.

100 Mr. Ungar also reported that the Bisceglie Park infields have had  
101 sod repairs done and have been over seeded this fall and will be  
102 ready for the spring season of Little League. BSP #2 has had all  
103 infield edges replaced and clay lips removed.

104 d) Parks: Mr. Ungar is satisfied with the conditions of the parks.

105 e) Programs: Dave gave the report on basketball registrations and ski  
106 trip registrations to date.

107 5) New Business: None.

108 6) Correspondence: None.

109 7) Announcements: Meeting dates were set by the Commission for  
110 February 2014 through January 2015. Dates are as follows:

111 All meetings will be held the second Monday of the month except  
112 when they fall on a Town holiday. Feb 10, 2014, March 10, April 7,  
113 May 12, June 9, July 14, August 11, Sept 8, Oct 6, Nov 10, Dec 8 and  
114 Jan 12, 2015

115 Election of P&R Commission officers will be held at the Parks &  
116 Recreation January 2014 meeting.

- 117 8) Adjournment: The Commission adjourned at 9:25 p.m.  
118 Retiring Commissioner Bob Uzenoff motion. All in favor 4-0.  
119 Respectfully Submitted,  
120 David E. Ungar  
121 Parks & Recreation Director

