

Park, Beach, and Recreation Commission

Regular Meeting

March 3, 2010

Members Present

Daniel Worroll, Jr., Chairman
Kerri Rowland, Commissioner
Sharon Fowler, Commissioner
Patrick Dooling, Commissioner

Absent

Public Works Representative
Ann Fabian, Vice Chairman
Nick Veccharelli Jr., Alderman

Also Present

William McCarthy, Recreation Director
Bill Bevan, Alderman

The Park, Beach and Recreation Commission held their March meeting on March 3, 2010 at 7:30 PM in Conference Room C of the Parson's Government Complex. Chairman Worroll called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM.

- I. **Consideration of Minutes** of the Regular Meeting of the Park, Beach and Recreation Commission held on January 6, 2010.

Commissioner Rowland **made a motion** to accept the January 6, 2010 minutes as read. Seconded by Commissioner Dooling and unanimously carried.

II. **Public Statement**

Frank Goodrich – 70 Regent Terrace – Spoke regarding ideas George Woehlcke came to him with concerning the City beaches. Some of these are to consider raising the parking fines from \$10 to \$25, installing kiosks so that visitors can purchase a day pass, adding handicap parking spaces next to the pier at Gulf Beach and adding signage regarding Ramp Permit requirements for launching water crafts.

George Woehlcke – 41 Granville Avenue – Spoke regarding ideas and concerns he has regarding the City beaches. In addition to what Frank presented, he is also suggested charging non-residents for after hours permits and better enforcement of these after hours permits.

Commissioners Rowland and Dooling made and seconded a motion to move item 1 under New Business up on the Agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

III. **New Business - Item 1**

Ray Macaluso presented architectural drawings and plans of the Boys & Girls Club proposed addition for approval required by the Commission. Discussion followed. Commissioner Rowland asked weather this was the final plan and could changes be made after the Commission gave their approval. Mr. Macaluso stated that this was the final plan and only Planning & Zoning could possibly tweak it.

Commissioner Rowland **made a motion** to approve the drawings for the Boys & Girls club as presented. Seconded by Commissioner Fowler and unanimously carried.

IV. **Correspondence**

1. Director McCarthy put Gillian Ginsberg in touch with Mark Lofthouse regarding an email he had received to improve the dog run at Eisenhower Park.
2. Director McCarthy received an email from a non-profit organization called Soldier's Angels requesting a permit to hold "Day of the Deployed" to honor deployed military families and veterans.

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They are looking for a park or similar space that would accommodate about 500-750 people.

3. Director McCarthy reported that Joe Woyciesjes (N.E.M.B.A.) has still not received approval from the Mayor to start the project they presented to the Commission.

V. **Director's Report**

1. Updated Commission on baseball scheduling issues.
2. The Boston Red Sox Road Trip on January 20, 2010 in the Parsons Gym was well attended.
3. Camp Happiness and Learn To Swim programs are awaiting decision on Foran Pool use.
4. Met with Alderman Frank Goodrich and George Woehlcke regarding issues at Gulf Beach.
5. Softball teams registered for this year total 101, up 8 teams from last year.
6. Updated Commission on February 22, 2010 Finance Board Budget Hearing.
7. St. Patrick's Day Parade scheduled for Saturday March 13, 2010.
8. Recreation Department secured Olympic Bronze Medallist Erin Pac to be in Parade.

VI. **Commissioner Reports**

1. Chairman Worroll reported that the Antique Car Show would once again be held at Gulf Beach. He will make the Police Department aware.
2. Servants of Christ will be having their motorcycle shows at Gulf Beach every third Thursday of the month again this year.
3. Golf course should be opening in April. There may be a slight increase in fees.
4. Milford Tree Commission Celebration of Trees party 4-6 at the Milford Fine Arts Center.
5. Chairman Worroll gave an update on the Walnut Beach Enhancement Committee meeting.

VII. **Old Business**

1. Director McCarthy reported that the beach boardwalk project is underway.
2. Director McCarthy reported that we are still waiting for disclaimer language approval for use of the new Employee Wellness Center.
3. Director McCarthy reported that the construction drawings for the Eisenhower Park bridge have been received and the work is supposed to be completed by June 2010.

VIII. **New Business**

2. I.L.L. lighting request update from Director McCarthy, trying to get information for April Agenda.

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IX. **Adjourn**

Commissioner Rowland **made a motion** to adjourn at 9 p.m. Seconded by Commissioner Dooling and unanimously carried.

The Park, Beach and Recreation Commission will hold their next regular meeting at 7:30 p.m. on April 7, 2010 in City Hall Auditorium.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra L. Betzig, Secretary