

Park, Beach, and Recreation Commission

Regular Meeting

May 7, 2008

Members Present

Daniel Worroll, Jr., Chairman
Patrick Dooling, Commissioner
Kerri Rowland, Commissioner
Suzanne DiBiase, Commissioner

Absent

Public Works Representative
Ann Fabian, Vice Chairman

Also Present

William McCarthy, Recreation Director
Judith Toohey, Alderman
Jessica Blacketter, Alderman

The Park, Beach and Recreation Commission held their May meeting on May 7, 2008 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 April 2, 2008.

Commissioner DiBiase **made a motion** to accept the April 2, 2008 minutes as read. Seconded by Commissioner Dooling and unanimously carried.

- II. **Public Statement**

NONE

Commissioner Dooling **made a motion** to move the New Business item up on the Agenda. Seconded by Commissioner DiBiase and unanimously carried.

- III. **New Business**

1. **Jack Patrick - 660 Gulf Street** – Eagle Scout project proposal presentation. Would like to install "Rain Catchers" and Blue Bird houses at the Community Gardens. The Commission reviewed the project and Chairman Worroll gave their support of the project and approval to move ahead.

- IV. **Correspondence**

1. Direct McCarthy received a telephone call from Charlie Clifford, YMCA Director regarding Skate Park operation. There were some items that he wanted corrected before he went down and started supervising the park. These items are going to be taken care of and the park should be running as it has in years past.
2. Director McCarthy received a telephone call from Public Works Director Bruce Kolwicz regarding Denise Morris Curt's request for outlet on the Green for a kiln. Director Kolwicz wants to deny this request and also deny her request to set up food at Green's end. Chairman Worroll stated that he would allow the kiln as long as the vendor brings his own generator to supply power to it. Chairman Worroll stated that due to the fact that food has been at the end of the Green in the past with no problem, he would allow it this year also.
3. Director McCarthy received an email from Tony Scalzi regarding his observations concerning Grove Circle permits and procedures. He feels the problem has been resolved to his satisfaction.
4. Director McCarthy received an email from the Mayor's office confirming Boys & Girls Club press conference to be held on June 2nd at 4:30 p.m.

- V. **Directors Report**

1. Director McCarthy reported that a combination lock has been installed at Conklin Field. The neighbors had complained that there has been dumping on the property.

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2. Director McCarthy reported that Summer Playground registrations are running slow this year and that 92 people applied for the 18 open playground counselor jobs.
3. The Edward T. Austin Recreation Complex dedication on August 9 at 5:00 p.m.
4. Public Works has Gulf Beach Historical Marker ready for installation.
5. Director McCarthy reported that himself and Debra Marchese submitted grant application to Connecticut Commission on Culture & Tourism for arts presentation. This grant would be for a 10-week program for children with disabilities and would be held at the Tri-Beach Community Center.

VI. Commissioners Reports

1. Chairman Worroll attended the Community Gardens "Gigantic Tag Sale" which was a success.
2. Chairman Worroll and Director McCarthy attended the B.O.A. budget meeting.
3. Chairman Worroll reported that the Paul Revere Re-Enactment on the Green went well.
4. Chairman Worroll reported that the Duck Race at Fowler went well.
5. Chairman Worroll reported that Goodies would be having Car Shows on Monday nights at Gulf Beach.
6. Chairman Worroll reported that at Monday's B.O.A. meeting the City would be receiving a \$1,000,000 grant for the areas of Walnut Beach and Silver Sands.

VII. Old Business

1. Chairman Worroll and Director McCarthy gave a brief Park Bench update.
2. Chairman Worroll reported that he had sampled the background check software and was impressed.
3. Commissioner Rowland inquired what the procedure would be for getting temporary lighting at Brewster Field.
4. Commissioner Rowland reported that this Saturday is the official Challenger Opening Day.

VIII. New Business

IX. Adjourn

Commissioner Rowland made a motion to adjourn at 8:20 p.m. Seconded by Commissioner DiBiase and unanimously carried.

The Park, Beach and Recreation Commissioner's to hold their next regular meeting at 7:30 p.m. on June 4, 2008 in Conference Room C.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra L. Guglielmoni, Secretary