# Park, Beach, and Recreation Commission Regular Meeting December 2, 2015

<u>Members Present</u> Dan Worroll, Jr. – Chairman Felicia Shashinka – Commissioner Ann Fabian – Vice Chairman Kerri Rowland – Commissioner Absent Public Works Representative Nick Veccharelli – Aldermanic Liaison Frank Giustino – Commissioner - Excused Also Present Paul Piscitelli – Recreation Bill Bevan – Aldermanic Liaison

The Park, Beach and Recreation Commission held their Regular Meeting on **December 2, 2015**, at 7:30 p.m. in the Ansantawae Room. Chairman Worroll, called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

## I. Consideration of Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Park, Beach and Recreation Commission held on November 4, 2015.

Chairman Worroll asks for a **Motion** to accept the **November 4, 2015** meeting minutes as read.

Commissioner Shashinka makes a Motion to accept the November 4, 2015 meeting minutes.

Commissioner Rowland seconds Motion.

Discussion - None.

Motion unanimously carried.

### II. Public Statement

The time limit granted to each speaker shall be limited to three (3) minutes. None.

## III. Correspondence

None.

## IV. Director's Report - Piscitelli

1. Turf Fields Project – Piscitelli – Director Piscitelli advised the Intent to Award the Bid was given to Green Acres Construction and Landscaping from Lakeville, Massachusetts. Award was based on qualifications, price and with bid alternates. The ongoing issue with the YMCA land swap continues and once this is resolved, the Bid will be officially awarded.

2. City Facilities Rental Report – Piscitelli – Director Piscitelli presented the Commissioners with a graph outline of the 2015 permits issued for the various facilities including permits issued by location, number of permits issued for Walnut Beach Pavilion and for sign permits. One hundred ten facility permits were issued in 2015 which is down by ten from 2014. Forty-one Walnut Beach Pavilion Permits were issued in 2015 which is an increase by eight (8) from 2014; and seventy-eight sign permits were issued in 2015 which decreased by 13 from 2014. Currently looking into the feasibility of electronic messaging boards at the various permitted sign locations which will eliminate the use of sandwich boards. There is also an earlier than usual interest in the 2016 season for facility rentals which is a positive outlook. Chairman Worroll indicated that the Kick-Off to Summer Event will take place on July 1, 2016.

# V. Commissioner's Report – Chairman Worroll

1. Golf Course – The golf course is operating and preparing for the 2016 season. A contract is waiting to be signed which will be with the current management company. Chairman Worroll indicated that he needed approval from the Park, Beach and Recreation Commission to continue his service on the Golf Commission which he has served for many years and which is about to expire.

Chairman Worroll asks for a **Motion** from the Park, Beach and Recreation Commission to continue his service on the Golf Commission.

Commissioner Rowland makes a **Motion** for Chairman Worroll to continue his service on the Golf Commission.

Vice Chairman Fabian seconds Motion.

Discussion - None.

Motion unanimously carried.

2. Bench Dedication Program – Vice Chairman Fabian – Two (2) benches are pending. The Marguerite Tondora slat replacement bench will be located on Trumbull Avenue, and Dr. Russo's bench will be installed near the fishing pier at Gulf Beach.

# VI. Old Business

# 1. Discussion of Beach Parking Fees - Chairman Worroll -

Director Piscitelli apprised the Commissioners there will be a meeting concerning City parking on December 10. This is to discuss a traffic study presented by the Police Department who did a study in the Walnut Beach area. Other factors that will be discussed are the potential increase in parking fees and what would be appropriate given what the State will be charging at the State Beaches. Discussion ensued regarding the time frame given the beach season will start in six (6) months, the resident issues and enforcement. Discussion to continue.

#### VII. New Business

1. Chairman Worroll presented the 2016 Park Beach and Recreation Schedule dates with a discussion for changing the meeting time change from 7:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. A brief discussion followed.

Commissioner Rowland made a **Motion** to change the meeting time for the Park, Beach and Recreation Commission from 7:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Vice Chairman Fabian seconds Motion.

Discussion - None.

Motion unanimously carried.

#### VIII. Upcoming Events:

- 1. VNA Tree Lighting Ceremony Thursday, December 10, 6:30 p.m. Parkette at City Hall.
- 2. Annual Lamplight Stroll Friday, December 4, 5:30 p.m. 9 p.m. Downtown Area.

### IX. Adjourn

Vice Chairman Fabian made a Motion to adjourn at 8 p.m.

Commissioner Rowland seconds Motion.

Discussion - None.

Motion unanimously carried.

The Park, Beach and Recreation Commission will hold their next **Regular Meeting at 5:30 p.m.** on **January 6, 2016** in the **Ansantawae Room**.

Respectfully submitted,

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