

**PARK, BEACH and RECREATION COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
December 5, 2018**

The Park, Beach and Recreation Commission held their Regular Meeting on Wednesday, December 5, 2018 in Conference Room C (Ansantawae Room). Chairman Worroll called the meeting to order at 5:35 p.m.

Commissioners Present:

D. Worroll
A. Fabian
F. Shashinka
B. Bevan

Also Present:

Director P. Piscitelli
Ald. C. Gaynor

Absent:

K. Rowland,
Ald. A. Sutton, Public Works Representative

Public Comment

Roger Milson – 1034 West River Street – stated lives across from the park (West River side). He stated he came tonight to speak about the changes at Eisenhower Park that he has witnessed over a 15 year period. He commented overall there have been improvements; however, he believed there has also been a lot of neglect. He stated there are people in the park late at night, into the early morning hours. Mr. Milson stated his two major concerns are: 1) Security, and 2) Signage. He stated he would like to see signage that included do's and don't's of the park. He also stated the general public was not made aware of any of the recent changes to the park such as the splash pad and expansion of the dog park. He also commented he was trying to comprehend why so much land was removed and such an expansive dog park is being planned. He also stated there are drainage issues and that he was concerned about significant flooding. Mr. Milson stated his final point was regarding the upkeep of the equestrian area. He stated he would like to request the City of Milford through this Board and department upgrade the equestrian area. He pointed out there is a great deal is dusk, especially during the summer months that is dangerous for both the riders and their horses. He concluded by stating he is an advocate for the park and expressed his willingness to help.

Consideration of the Minutes of the November 7, 2018 meeting

Commissioners' Fabian and Bevan made and seconded a motion to accept the minutes of the September 5, 2018 meeting with the following correction:

"Consideration of the Minutes" of the **September 5, 2018 meeting**, not August 1, 2018.

Motion carried unanimously.

Correspondence

None

Director's Report

Director Piscitelli reported the communications/marketing specialist began work at the end of last month. He stated there has been an up rise on their social media page, Twitter, etc. He also reported they met with the software management team and look forward to new designs, more robust pages, etc. Director Piscitelli also reported they are ready for the upcoming winter sports programs. He stated they have also begun discussions about the summer, parking, meters, etc. adding there are a lot of logistics that will need to be worked out. Director Piscitelli also reported he requested money in the Capital Improvement Plan for parking meters. A brief discussion ensued.

Director Piscitelli also commented the horse ring was discussed and was a part of the Eisenhower Park study. He stated it would be a logical progression in the upgrades to the park that would be welcome and a potential of good programs.

Commissioner Reports

a) Golf Course Commission – Chairman Worroll reported the golf course is still open for play as well as purchase of gift certificates.

b) Bench Dedication Program – No report.

Unfinished Business

None.

New Business

None.

There being no further business to discuss, Commissioners' Fabian and Shashinka moved to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 5:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen A. Kennedy
Recording Secretary