**PARK, BEACH and RECREATION COMMISSION**

**REGULAR MEETING**

**SEPTEMBER 1, 2021**

The Park, Beach and Recreation Commission held their Regular Meeting on Wednesday, August 4, 2021, at Lisman Landing. Chairman Worroll called the meeting to order at 5:303 p.m.

**Commissioners Present: Also Present:**

D. Worroll Director B. Garfield

K. Rowland Ald. C. Gaynor

A. Fabian

B. Bevan

F. Shashinka

**Public Comment**

None

**Consideration of the Minutes of the August 4, 2021, meeting.**

Commissioners’ Fabian and Rowland made and seconded a motion to accept the minutes of the August 4, 2021, meeting as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

**Correspondence**

None.

**Director's Report**

Director Garfield spoke about the permitting process and streamlining the process going forward. He noted the October Festival has been cancelled and that the Irish Festival is pending, but likely would be cancelled as well. Director Garfield also reported regarding the work being done at the Parson’s Complex auditorium. He stated it is getting an overhaul that includes all new seating, lighting, and sound system. He stated he did not have a date as to when it may open. A brief discussion ensued.

Director Garfield reported the summer playground camps, including Camp Happiness wrapped up. He reported the adult softball leagues are winding down and they are preparing for fall leagues and winter basketball. Director Garfield reported one of the strongest programs this year was the children’s tennis league that in the past registered 60 kids. He stated this year they were upwards of 100. He also reported the fall yoga program would be beginning soon, with a new instructor. Director Garfield stated he was excited about the adaptive programming. He reported Ms. Sanchez, along with several Milford Teachers are launching a new set of adaptive programs. Director Garfield reported the Mayor’s Cup Pickleball Tournament was a success. He acknowledged the work of Commissioner Shashinka making this a nice, smooth-running event. He noted there were 185 total registered. He stated he and Commissioner Shashinka have already spoken about how to make it even better next year. Director Garfield reported there are several fence projects ongoing, at Brewster Field where the building, the bathroom, and press box. He also reported the press box was re-roofed, as well as the dugout roofs..

**Commissioner Reports**

1. Golf Course Commission – Chairman Worroll reported the course remains steady. He stated there is some work needed on the course. A brief discussion ensued.
2. Bench Dedication Program – Director Garfield reported they continue to move along, however this month they have fallen behind. He stated they ordered 14 benches, but they have not been installed yet. A brief discussion ensued.

**Unfinished Business**

None.

**New Business**

None.

Chairman Worroll reported the annual Milford Oyster Festival went smoothly, however attendance was down due to COVID. He also spoke about the changes to protocols for various events. Chairman Worroll stated for the fireworks to return next year for Milford’s Kickoff to Summer they would need more donations from the local businesses to offset the costs. He stated the 9/11 remembrance is being held behind City Hall on Saturday, September 11, beginning at 8:46 p.m.

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