

Park, Beach, and Recreation Commission
Regular Meeting
March 4, 2015

Members Present

Daniel Worroll, Jr., Chairman
Ann Fabian, Vice Chairman
Felicia Shashinka, Commissioner
Frank Giustino, Commissioner

Absent

Public Works Representative
Nick Veccharelli, Jr., Aldermanic Liaison
Dan German, Aldermanic Liaison
Kerri Rowland - Excused

Also Present

Paul Piscitelli, Recreation Director

The Park, Beach and Recreation Commission held their Regular Meeting on **March 4, 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 February 4, 2015.

Vice Chairman Fabian made a **Motion** to accept the February 4, 2015 minutes as read. Commissioner Giustino seconds **Motion**.

Discussion - None.

Motion unanimously carried

II. Public Statement

The time limit granted to each speaker shall be limited to three (3) minutes.

III. Correspondence

None.

IV. Director's Report – Piscitelli

- 1. Turf Fields Project – Piscitelli** – Advised met with the BSC Group, Design Engineering Firm who has been contracted for the Turf Fields Project. Meeting discussions involved the needs and desires for the two fields; and on March 12 they will present drawings as well as budgetary numbers.
- 2. Summer Program Planning – Piscitelli** – Advised is in the process of preparing the schedule with some programs remaining the same and others that are being worked on. There are programs for all age groups for people to avail themselves. The Recreation staff continues to do a good job recruiting and maintaining programs and instructors. Chairman Worroll inquired about the budget and Piscitelli advised that the Finance Committee is having their final meeting this evening and has not been made aware of any changes that may affect the Department.

V. Commissioner's Report – Chairman Worroll

1. **Golf Course – Chairman Worroll** – Advised the Golf Course is closed. The new building is approximately 90% complete.
2. **Bench Dedication Program – Vice Chairman Fabian** – Fabian advised there is no report at this time. Will be preparing a press release to announce work for the benches on the Green using slat replacements.

VI. Old Business

1. **Smoke & Tobacco Free Policy – Chairman Worroll** – Advised a draft is being worked on. Piscitelli also advised that he received comments from all Commissioners and will have a draft prepared for the next meeting.

Vice Chairman Fabian requested a status of Director Piscitelli of the outcome of the meeting that recently transpired regarding the Women's Softball League. Piscitelli advised we are working with West Haven to form a Tuesday night league in West Haven, and Thursday night league in Milford. Regarding the non-resident issue, the policy is set and those playing in the Milford Rec Women's Softball League will have to be Milford residents and policy will be strictly enforced.

VII. New Business

1. **Friends of the Library – Little Libraries of Milford** – Alberta Jagoe, One Morningside Drive; and Lisa Thorell-Gargiulo, 186 Housatonic Drive – presented the Commissioners with a proposal entitled “Little Libraries of Milford, A Community Project by the Friends of the Milford Public Library”. The concept is to ‘take a book, return a book’ at a gathering place such as Walnut and Gulf Beaches, Eisenhower Park (Bodies Place), Lisman Landing and the YMCA on Orange Avenue. The format is a box full of books where anyone may stop by and pick up a book and bring back another book to share. Discussion ensue as to various and strategic site locations for the boxes, monitoring and stewards of the boxes, the potential of vandalism and the aid of public works to assist in installing the boxes which will be provided. The Commissioners were very receptive of the Little Libraries concept as a community service to Milford's residence.

Vice Chairman Fabian made a **Motion** to accept this proposal under the direction and guidance of Recreation Director, Paul Piscitelli

Commissioner Giustino seconds **Motion**.

Discussion - None.

Motion unanimously carried

VIII. Upcoming Events

1. **St. Patrick's Day Parade** – Saturday, March 14, weather permitting. Step-off is at 1 p.m.
2. **James Mattioli 5K** – Saturday, March 21 at Fowler Field. Race begins at 10 a.m. Proceeds benefit The James Mattioli Scholarship Fund for a student at Jonathan Law and Foran High Schools.
3. **Literacy Center's Leprechaun Leap** – Saturday, March 21 at Walnut Beach, 1p.m.

Chairman Worroll announced the City of Milford is sponsoring a **Summer Bash** on Thursday, July 2, from 4 p.m. to 11 p.m. at Lisman Landing. There will be various bands, refreshments and food vendors, and many activities for children and families, including a fireworks show.

IX. Adjourn

Vice Chairman Fabian made a **Motion** to adjourn at 8:00 p.m.
Commissioner Shashinka seconds **Motion**.

Discussion - None.

Motion unanimously carried.

The Park, Beach and Recreation Commission will hold their next Regular Meeting at 7:30 p.m. on **April 1, 2015**, in the Ansantawae Room.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda M. Mossorofo

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