

**Park, Beach, and Recreation Commission**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**August 6, 2008**

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**Members Present**

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

**Absent**

Public Works Representative

**Also Present**

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

The Park, Beach and Recreation Commission held their August meeting on August 6, 2008 at 7:30 PM in Conference Room C of the Parson's Government Complex. Chairman Worroll called the meeting to order at 7:31 PM.

- I. **Consideration of Minutes** of the Regular Meeting of the Park, Beach and Recreation Commission held on July 2, 2008.

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

- II. **Public Statement**

NONE

After Public Statement, Vice Chairman Fabian **made a motion** to move New Business Item #1 up on the Agenda. Seconded by Commissioner Rowland and unanimously carried.

- III. **New Business**

1. Jeff Phelan, President Milford Pop Warner Football, along with Director of Operations Tom Munk came before the Commission to request temporary light stands at West Shore Field from mid September through mid October three nights a week. The reason for the request is that they have more teams – 8 in total – this year. When it begins getting dark earlier, this becomes a safety issue. Mr. Phelan explained that the lights would be facing the school not the residences.

Chairman Worroll asked what time these lights would go on from and what days they would be used. Mr. Phelan replied 6 pm to 8 pm on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Chairman Worroll asked Director McCarthy if this would interfere with any of the Recreation Department programs. He replied that he would check the Cricket schedule. Mr. Phelan said that he did not believe there would be a problem and if there were, he would move the lighting out of their way. Director McCarthy asked about the volume of the lighting. Mr. Phelan responded that the decibels are less than that of a lawnmower. Mr. Phelan also stated that the lights would only be used when necessary for about an hour and a half a night.

Chairman Worroll stated that he did not have a problem with the lights as long as they were done by 8 pm.

Commissioner Rowland **made a motion** to approve the use of lights by Pop Warner Football at West Shore for the times indicated September through October. Seconded by Vice Chairman Fabian and unanimously carried.

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**IV. Correspondence**

1. Goodies Dumpster – Public Works requested Goodies rent a dumpster for their refuse as per the lease agreement they signed with the City. Director McCarthy reported that the dumpster has been rented.
2. Heat Index Policy – Director McCarthy reported that he had cancelled the “Heat Index” policy at the Summer Playground Program this year. Director McCarthy along with Dr. McBride will be working to get a new policy in place for next years program.

**V. Directors Report**

1. Eagle Scout Project – Bocce Ball Courts - Director McCarthy reported that himself, Mayor Richetelli, Chairman Worroll, Alderman Toohey and many others attended the Dedication Ceremony. The completed project came out wonderful. Director McCarthy sent Michael Casey thank you letter. Chairman Worroll reported that everything went very well and hopes to get a league started. He also reported that the United Way is interested in a fundraiser bocce tournament in the near future.
2. Bench Dedication - Director McCarthy reported that Judith Piscitelli would like to dedicate a new bench in the memory of her late husband Pete Piscitelli, at the new bocce ball court.
3. Camp Happiness Update – Director McCarthy reported that camp is up and running. The camp this year is 5 weeks instead of 6 with more students enrolled than last year.
4. Director McCarthy received a call from Karen Sayball regarding vehicle parking/beer drinking after softball games at Brewster Field. He told her that the Recreation Department would send another letter to the adult softball coached reminding them not to park in the International Little League area and beer drinking is prohibited. Chairman Worroll stated that he also received an email from her and he responded that the parking and alcohol issues should be called in to the Police Department.
5. Facility Use Rental Fees – Director McCarthy, Chairman Worroll, Kelly Hammill and Bruce Kolwicz met regarding new fees being proposed by Public Works for extra work hours by his department due to weekend vandalism and trash issues at Walnut Beach Pavilion. The approximate cost for Public Works to upkeep the City Facilities on the weekends would be approximately \$145 a day. Chairman Worroll stated that our fees have not been changed since 1983. Chairman Worroll stated that there are many issues that need to be taken into consideration before setting these new fees. Commissioner Rowland and Vice-Chairman Fabian made and seconded a motion to open a discussion and have Director McCarthy ask Director Kolwicz if it is possible to schedule City employees with a City vehicle for weekend bathroom and trash clean up during the busy beach season. Motion carried unanimously.

**VI. Commissioners Reports**

1. Chairman Worroll reported that the golf course is doing well. They are in contract negotiations with the management company. Devon Day and the Bocce Court Dedication Ceremony went well. This Saturday at 5 pm is the renaming of the Washington Field Complex to The Edward T. Austin Recreation Complex.
2. Vice Chairman Fabian gave the Commission an update on the Bench Dedication Program.

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VII. **Old Business**

1. Bodie's Place – Director McCarthy updated the Commission on the status of the playground and approximate costs of the project. He reported that he forwarded the Client Agreement paperwork to the City Attorney for review.

VIII. **New Business**

1. Pop Warner temporary lights request – previously acted on earlier in the meeting.
2. October Fest proposal – Mr. Mendez did not attend meeting.

IX. **Adjourn**

Vice Chairman Fabian **made a motion** to adjourn at 8:50 pm. Seconded by Commissioner Rowland and unanimously carried.

The Park, Beach and Recreation Commission will hold their next regular meeting at 7:30 p.m. on September 3, 2008 in Conference Room C.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra L. Guglielmoni, Secretary