PARK, BEACH, and RECREATION COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING November 1, 2023

The Park, Beach, and Recreation Commission held their Regular Meeting on Wednesday, November 1, 2023, at the Lisman Landing Conference Room. Chairman Worroll called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Commissioners Present:	Also Present:
D. Worroll B. Bevan K. Rowland F. Shashinka	W. Garfield, Recreation Director
Excused:	
A. Fabian Ald. W. Willis Ald. D. German	

Public Comment - None.

Consideration of the Minutes of the October 4, 2023, meeting

Commissioners Rowland and Bevan made and seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the October 4, 2023, as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Correspondence

Chairman Worroll shared that he has received correspondence from T. Catapano concerning Brewster Field.

Director Garfield reported receiving a letter from C. Berger, who is looking to discuss his Eagle Scout Project regarding the possibility of installing a gaga pit at Grove Circle park.

Director Garfield reported receiving a letter from L. Wisniewski, who is a Girl Scout, that would like to discuss improvements to the park on Andrews Avenue to increase safety, aesthetics, and the overall experience.

Director's Report

William Garfield, Recreation Director, shared that the Recreation Department is preparing for basketball season. Also, pickleball paddle holders were installed at the

Eisenhower Park courts for the remainder of the season. Mr. Garfield reported that Ken Catino, Recreation Supervisor, is revamping the waterfront programs and expanding the Learn to Swim activities.

Commissioner Reports

- a) Golf Course Commission Chairman Worroll reported that weather has hindered play at the golf course over the weekends. Chairman Worroll reported that himself and other Golf Commissioners will be negotiating the contract to take effect in 2024.
- b) <u>Bench Dedication Program</u> Director Garfield reported that ten benches were installed, three are in the process, and seven new benches have arrived. Discussion ensued about alternate ways to offer recognition other than benches, considering a possible brick dedication.

Unfinished Business – None.

New Business -

<u>Commissioners Rowland and Bevan made and seconded a motion to allow C. Berger to introduce his project proposal under New Business. The motion carried unanimously.</u>

C. Berger of 45 Grove Circle spoke to the Commission about a need he identified at Grove Circle Park, expanding it for more ages to enjoy. He would like get a gaga pit installed at this playground to complete his Eagle Scout Project. Mr. Berger shared what a gaga pit looks like, that it can be adjusted to include an accessibility entrance and how to play the game. He shared that this pit usually has a 15 ft diameter, and that this would provide a new sport and hobby for middle-high schoolers in Milford. He is looking for approval from the Commission to begin fundraising for this project.

Commissioners Shashinka and Rowland made and seconded a motion to approve Mr. Berger to fundraise for this project and then return with more information about the project. The motion carried unanimously.

Being no further business, Commissioners Rowland and Bevan made and seconded a motion to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 6:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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