

***NEW FAIRFIELD PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION  
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**REGULAR MEETING  
MINUTES  
Monday, June 12, 2017  
7:00 p.m.  
COMMUNITY ROOM AT 33 ROUTE 37**

Members Present: Sean Loughran (Chairman), Tom Edwards, Mark Lamanna, Jim Ogden, Gary Remley, Fred Testor and Chris Van Steen

Members Absent: Steve Burfeind, Mike Ellenberg

Town official present: Jane Stagno, Parks and Recreation Assistant

Guests: Ken Hesselbacher

**Call to Order**- Chairman Sean Loughran called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm.

**Public Comment**

Town resident Ken Hesselbacher approached the commission about the possibility of putting a Pickle Ball court near the Town playground. Pickle Ball is a smaller version of tennis and uses a wooden racket and waffle ball. Mr. Hesselbacher noted that Newtown and Brookfield have courts. The group would like to play approximately once a week. There was a discussion of possibly putting tape on the basketball courts. It was decided that the commission would speak to Phil Ross and Mary Stolle. It was suggested that interested parties form a club in order to have more structure.

**Approval of Minutes**- Tom Edwards made a motion to approve the minutes from the April 17, 2017 special meeting with the correction of adding member Gary Remley as a member present. Chris Van Steen seconded the motion.

**Vote: Motion approved- (Mark Lamanna abstained)**

**Chairman's Comments**

Sean Loughran noted that Mike Ellenberg will get information regarding the cost of chains and docks at the Town Beach.

**Buildings and Grounds update**- None

**Director's update**- None

## **Subcommittee Reports**

**Programs**- Approximately 50-60 kids have signed up for each week of summer camp. The pool at the high school is available this year and swim lessons will be offered during camp.

**Beach**- It was decided that an Ice Cream/Food truck will set up at the Town Beach this summer. In addition to ice cream, he will be selling hot dogs, hamburgers and packaged foods. There was a suggestion of putting signs about the food truck at the Marina.

There was a discussion of trailers parking at the Town Beach. There was a suggestion of putting a sign indicating that trailer parking on the South End only.

The cameras are working at the Town Beach.

**Fields**- Fred Testor noted that Memorial Two Field still needs some work.

**Playground**- The new gazebo at the playground looks good.

The new turf field has been installed near the playground. There is the possibility that lights will be put in sometime in the future.

## **Basketball Court**

Fred Testor spoke of the paving of the basketball court at the playground. There is currently \$25,000 in the budget for this project. Mr. Testor noted that he spoke with Cocchiola paving and it is possible for this project to be done by piggybacking on the Town road paving project. They will also install the poles and will finish by the end of the summer for a cost of approximately \$27,000.00.

Fred Testor made a motion to spend an additional \$5,000 to put towards adding a second basketball court next to Rizzotti Court at the playground. Mark Lamanna seconded the motion.

**Vote: All in favor**

**Adjournment**- Chris Van Steen made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:46pm. Gary Remley seconded the motion. **Vote: All in favor**