

***NEW FAIRFIELD PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
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**REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES
Monday, July 10, 2017
6:30 p.m.
COMMUNITY ROOM AT 33 ROUTE 37**

Members Present: Sean Loughran (Chairman), Steve Burfeind, Jim Ogden, Gary Remley and Chris Van Steen

Members Absent: Tom Edwards, Mike Ellenberg, Mark Lamanna and Fred Testor

Town official present: Linda Lull, Parks and Recreation Director

Guests: None

Call to Order- Chairman Sean Loughran called the meeting to order at 6:32 pm.

Public Comment- None

Approval of Minutes- Steve Burfeind made a motion to approve the minutes from the June 12, 2017 regular meeting as presented. Gary Remley seconded the motion.

Vote: All in favor

Chairman's Comments

Sean Loughran noted that a tree needs to be cut down by the road at the marina.

Buildings and Grounds have removed the weeds by the swim team area.

Linda Lull ordered signs for the Town Park parking lot that mark the Entrance for the Beach. There is also a sign for "No Trailer Parking".

Town Beach

Steve Burfeind made a motion to approve the expenditure of \$800 to Timberwolf to take down the tree by the Marina. Gary Remley seconded the motion.

Vote: All in favor

Jim Ogden made a motion to approve the expenditure of \$1850 to Adessi for the repair of the fence at the South Beach. Gary Remley seconded the motion.

Vote: All in favor

Steve Burfeind made a motion to approve the expenditure not to exceed \$1200 for chains for the boat docks. Chris Van Steen seconded the motion.

Vote: All in favor

Director's update

Linda Lull noted that the movie Beauty and the Beast will be shown on Memorial Field this Friday, July 14th. There will be characters from the play Beauty and the Beast put on by the Congregational Church attending the movie and there will be a craft inside the library before the movie.

Kayak and Paddleboard Day will be held this Saturday, July 15th at the Town Beach. Ski Haus will drop off kayaks and paddleboards on Friday, July 14th but will not be able to attend the event on the 15th. This event is free and no sign up is necessary.

The Swim Team currently has 32 members. This is compared to 45 members from last year.

This season, 171 family passes and 15 individual passes were sold for the Town Beach. This is compared to 251 family passes from last year. Some swim lessons were cancelled due to lack of students. There was a discussion of the reasons for the decline in numbers and suggestions for what to do differently next year.

There was a brief discussion of the various day camps and the attendance.

Haunting on the Hollow will be held this year the weekends of Oct. 14th, 21st and 28th. The Production company would prefer to have parking at Great Hollow and not use a bus.

Parking at Town Beach

There was a lengthy discussion of the issues of parking at the Town Beach by non residents. Due to the parking lot being full at Squantz Pond, many non residents are parking at the Town Beach. The parking fee for non-residents is \$40/day. It was noted the Town is not allowed to limit the number of spots for non-residents.

Adjournment- Jim Ogden made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:21pm. Gary Remley seconded the motion. **Vote: All in favor**