

***NEW FAIRFIELD PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
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**REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES
Monday, March 14, 2016
7:00 p.m.
COMMUNITY ROOM AT 33 ROUTE 37**

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

Members Absent: Steve Burfeind, Tom Edwards, Mike Ellenberg, Mark Lamanna

Town official present: Parks and Recreation Director Linda Lull

Call to Order- Chairman Sean Loughran called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

Public Comment- None

Approval of Minutes- Fred Testor made a motion to approve the minutes from the March 2, 2016 special meeting with the correction of Gary Remley instead of Jim Ogden as the second to the motion for the approval of minutes. Gary Remley seconded the motion.

Vote: 3-0-1 (Motion approved- Chris Van Steen abstained)

Chairman Comments

Chairman Sean Loughran will check with Buildings and Grounds Director Bob Rzasa regarding the Town Beach specifically the sand, docks and cameras.

Building and Grounds update- None

Director update

Parks and Rec Director Linda Lull and the Day Camp Director had interviews recently and decided on an Assistant Camp Director. It is unsure if the other Assistant Camp Director would be returning and will know soon.

Outdoor Cinema

New Fairfield Baseball contacted the department about a potential fundraiser of a drive-in movie. There was a discussion of allowing New Fairfield groups to rent the drive-in movie equipment. There was a discussion of renting the equipment to other towns. To date, Bethel, Newtown and Powder Ridge have inquired about renting the equipment. Powder Ridge would like to rent the equipment two nights in a row. The commission decided that there would be no discount for back to back rental nights.

Fred Testor made a motion to offer a discounted fee for movie rentals to any New Fairfield based non-profit organization at 50% of the current charge with bookings no more than two months in advance. Jim Odgen seconded the motion.

Vote: 4-0-0 (Motion approved)

Outdoor Cinema Truck

Gary Remley noted that a used truck has been agreed upon for the outdoor cinema. There was a discussion regarding the check to pay for this since Penske only takes certified checks or wire transfers which the town cannot do. Linda Lull will check with the Finance Dept. to see if the bank can certify the check.

Turkey Run

Jim Odgen noted that he has booked Paynes Corner Timing for timing for the Turkey Run.

Gazebo

Fred Testor noted that he received the revised contract from O'Brien and Sons regarding the gazebo at the playground. The cost is \$900 less than originally thought. Fred Testor and Purchasing Agent Patty Mota discussed the contract and came up with four items that they would like to see included:

- All inclusive price
- Permits should be obtained by the installer
- No add'l cost to be charged to the town
- All work must be completed by July 1st.

Director of Buildings and Grounds Phil Ross added some stipulations regarding electrical work and noted that any damage done in the process of installation needs to be repaired to the satisfaction of the town. It was noted that Fred Testor will meet with O'Brien and Sons and the installer (Grasshopper Lawns).

Beach House

Linda Lull noted that the Waterfront Directors asked that the inside of the Beach House be painted since it is stained with water damage. Sean Loughran will check with Public Works regarding this. There was a discussion of the rebuilding of the Beach House and it was suggested that it be built similar to the bathroom building at Rebel Turf. Fred Testor will look into this further.

Town Beach

Linda Lull will get measurements from Ridgefield regarding the measurements for the deck for the Zoom Flume at the Town Beach.

Friday, March 11th was the last day to pay for boat slips. Linda Lull will call anyone who hasn't paid to date.

Registrations

Camp registrations and Kayak rack rentals will begin in April.

Future agenda items

The commission will discuss benches and picnic tables at the playground in the near future.

Adjournment- Gary Remley made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:56pm. Chris Van Steen seconded the motion.

Vote: 4-0-0 (Motion approved)