

***NEW FAIRFIELD PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
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**REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES
Monday, June 8, 2015
7:00 p.m.
COMMUNITY ROOM AT 33 ROUTE 37**

Members Present: Sean Loughran (Chairman), Steve Burfeind, Tom Edwards (arrived 7:31pm), Mike Ellenberg, Mark Lamanna, Gary Remley and Fred Testor

Members Absent: Mike Evans and Chris Van Steen

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- Steve Burfeind made a motion to approve the minutes from the May 11, 2015 special meeting as presented. Gary Remley seconded the motion.

Vote: 4-0-1 (Motion approved- Mark Lamanna abstained- Tom Edwards arrived late and did not vote on this motion)

Chairman Comments

Sean Loughran noted that the trees have been taken down at the beach.

The paving is done at the beach and the basketball court. The lines for the basketball court will be painted in the fall. There was a brief discussion of putting something down at the basketball court since there is an approximate 2" lip that may cause someone to trip.

There was a discussion of moving the playground at the beach to be moved closer to the concession stand in order to have more beach area at the South Beach.

Director's update

Outdoor Cinema

Parks and Recreation Director Linda Lull noted that a bid has gone out for a used U-haul truck for the outdoor cinema. The bid is due back on June 18th and the budget is \$8,000. There was a discussion of the possibility of using a trailer instead. Mike Ellenberg will check into prices for an 8' x 14' trailer. Sean Loughran will speak with Buildings and Grounds Director Bobby Rzasa about the possibility of using the town's trucks for the outdoor cinema.

Seasonal employees

Linda Lull spoke of a raise request that she received from a lifeguard with five years of experience. The reason for this request is that this employee has an additional year of experience but making the same hourly rate as a lifeguard with four years. There was a discussion of the policy voted on at the February 17th Parks and Recreation Commission meeting that gave lifeguards a .25/cents an hour raise with a cap at four years. It was decided to stay with this policy and not offer a raise at this time.

Venue for Outdoor Cinema

Since there was a change in the director at Squantz Pond, it was decided not to have the outdoor movies there this year. The dates for the movies are Friday, June 26th *The Lego Movie* and Friday, July 31st *Toy Story 3*. The commission decided to hold this at Memorial Field instead of Komlo Field. There was a discussion of parking for this event.

Candlewood Lake Authority

The Candlewood Lake Authority will be using the launch at the marina in order to release carp on Friday, June 26th.

Wedding at Candlewood Isle

There will be a wedding at Candlewood Isle on Sept. 19th. The commission agreed to let them use the upper parking lot for overflow parking.

Kayak Day

Kayak Day will be held on Saturday, June 27th from 10am to 1pm. Mark Lamanna offered to bring speakers for the day.

Subcommittee reports

The Groovin' in New Fairfield concert will be held at the beach on July 18th.

The gazebo at the playground will be installed in the fall. There was a concern regarding putting it over power lines. Fred Testor noted that he met with the town's building inspector and there is no problem this.

The size of the gazebo will be 16' x 24'. Fred Testor will meet with Bobby Rzasa about this installation. The approximate cost of the gazebo is \$15,000. Fred Testor will meet with the New Fairfield Purchasing Agent Patty Mota about purchasing this.

Beach House- Nothing new to report

Fields- Steve Burfeind noted that he met with Building and Grounds Director Phil Ross and Athletic Director Mary Stolle and reviewed final plans. Work will begin the week of June 22nd.

New ropes have been ordered for the marina. It is hopeful that they will be installed soon.

Adjournment- Mike Ellenberg made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:02pm. Gary Remley seconded the motion. **Vote: 6-0-0 (Motion approved)**