

NEW FAIRFIELD PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
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SPECIAL MEETING
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2020
7:00 p.m.
VIA ZOOM

MINUTES

Members Present: Sean Loughran (Chairman), Shane Cosentino, Jim Ogden and Gary Remley

Members Absent: Steve Burfeind, Tom Edwards, Elisa Beckett Flores, Mark Lamanna, Jim Ogden, and Chris Van Steen

Town official present: First Selectman Pat Del Monaco, Director of Parks and Recreation Linda Lull, Director of Public Works Lloyd Decker, BOE Network Administrator Paul Gouveia and BOE Member Greg Flanagan

Guests: None

BOE Network Administrator Paul Gouveia read the rules and regulations for a virtual meeting.

Call to Order- Chairman Sean Loughran called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm. No quorum was present. An informal discussion took place with no votes taken.

Public Comment- First Selectman Pat Del Monaco noted that the BOF has approved taking money out of the 2019-2020 budget surplus to supplement money in the dock replacement fund to begin Phase I of the Boat Dock replacement project. A letter of intent was sent to the contractor and a requisition was signed today. Ms. Del Monaco explained the process for Phase I. It is hopeful that this phase will be done by Spring 2021.

Chairman's comments

Sean Loughran noted that he has not heard about the status of the new snack shack project at the Town Beach that was proposed by the New Fairfield Lions Club. He will follow up with the Lions Club for this.

Sean Loughran asked the members of the Parks and Rec Commission to compile a list of possible capital projects for the near future. This will be discussed at next month's meeting.

Director of Public Works update

Lloyd Decker spoke of the following:

- The Light Parade will be different this year due to COVID 19.

- All town fields are closed in New Fairfield. There was a brief discussion of whether or not maintenance can be done for the fields while they are closed. Lloyd will check to see if there is money in the budget for clay for the fields.
- Will contact New Fairfield Athletic Director Mark Ottusch to inquire about fall sports to see when the pavilion can be closed for winter.
- There are two trees by the boat ramp that may need to be cut down. Lloyd will contact Timber Wolf to get a price.

Director update

Linda Lull noted that photos with Santa will not occur this year due to COVID. There will be a drive-by way to Santa in back of Town Hall on November 28th. Families can drive by but cannot get out of their car. There was a discussion of the possibility of decorating Town Hall for this event. About 15 people have signed up for the Holiday Parade.

There was a discussion of having someone light the tree on November 28th and videotaping it to upload to the website.

There will be a Great Light Display for anyone that wants to decorate their homes for the holidays. There will be no judging but residents can drive by houses to look at the decorations from December 8-22.

Holiday Shopping Bingo will start on November 16th.

There are some online classes available through Parks and Recreation.

Future Agenda Items

Meeting dates for 2021 will be approved at the December meeting.

There was a suggestion of ordering more benches for the playground for next Spring.

Adjournment- Sean Loughran made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:51 pm- **All in favor**