

TOWN OF EAST WINDSOR
PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

MEETING
July 10, 2017

Subject to Commission Approval

The Meeting of the Park and Recreation Commission was called to order by Chairman Szymanski at 6:00 PM in the Parks and Recreation office, 76 S. Main Street, East Windsor, CT

PRESENT: Chairman Symanski; Commissioners Bagdikian, and Simpkins; Director Maltese, A. Irene Mosher from the Park Office.

ABSENT: Liaison Selectman Pippin, Commissioners Leach and Cruz.

ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM:

A quorum was established as three (3) Commissioners were present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: To APPROVE minutes of May 8, 2017 Meeting as written

Bagdikian moved/ Simpkins second/VOTE: In favor: Unanimous

OLD BUSINESS:

a. Budget 2017-2018

The Commission was given the yearend financial report showing the remaining balances for the year. The Director explained that any outstanding invoices would be able to be entered manually. The Director also explained that the Department was not returning as much money as had been the case in past year. The are remaining funds in the salary line because the Aquatics position was not filled until October and the Program Assistant position was vacant for several months. These monies cannot be moved around.

NEW BUSINESS

a. Financial Accounts Review

The budget for the coming year was cut \$2500 from the original request. There is going to be a freeze on all discretionary spending because the Town is unsure what the State is going to do in its budget. The Parks and Recreation Department will still be able to operate as normal. There may some delays in upgrades or project until at least the fall.

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b. Parks and Rec Month

July has been designated as Parks and Rec month by National Recreation and Parks Association. East Windsor Parks and Recreation are participating this year. The East Windsor Board of Selectman issued a proclamation declaring July Parks and Rec Month. Every day of the month has a special event or theme. Different parks are being showcased on different days. Wednesday, July 5th the Dog Park was showcased. Every visitor was given a small bag of dog treats with a tag thanking them for using the park.

On Wednesday July 19th, there is a concert at the Trolley Museum to honor veterans at 6:30 pm. This concert is being sponsored by Windsor Federal Saving Bank. Other events include a coloring contest for kids, "Hoop it Up" at Osborne Park, and Fishing Fun at Broad Brook Pond.

c. Park Directors report.

The Director stated that there has been a tremendous response from nonresidents since they are now able to use the East Windsor Park every day. On July 4th, the Park was nearly at capacity. The income for this year is nearly at ½ of last years with only being 1/3 of the way through the season. There has been a good response to swim lessons. Most sessions are full. The Summer Fun Camp sessions are all full or nearly full.

Popsicle night was held at Prospect Hill Park as Part of Parks and Rec month.

The Power Pack program is continuing through the summer. The Power Packs are picked up and dropped off at East Windsor Park. The Transitional learn students go to school all summer and are continuing to pack the bags each week.

MOTION: To ACCEPT the Director's report as presented:

Simpkins moved/Bagdikian second/VOTE: In favor: Unanimous

CORRESPONDENCE

The Director reported that an email was received from the American Heritage River Commission stating that they were participating in Source to Sea on the Connecticut River. They will be starting in New Hampshire and arriving in this area on July 28th. They will be making a rest stop and having a picnic at Volunteers Park. The Parks and Rec Department will be donating hot dogs and buns for the event.

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MISCELLANEOUS

None.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Bills were approved by Commissioner Simpkins

ADJOURMENT

MOTION: To AJOURN MEETING AT 6:23 pm

Bagdikian moved/Simpkins second/Vote: In favor Unanimous

Respectfully Submitted

Alma Irene Mosher
Recording Secretary