

TOWN OF EAST WINDSOR
PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

MEETING
March 12, 2018

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:

ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM:

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: To APPROVE minutes of November 13, 2017 Meeting as written

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

OLD BUSINESS:

- a. East Windsor Dog Park – No report

NEW BUSINESS

- a. Budget 2018-2019
The Director stated that the budget has been sent and reviewed by the Board of Selectman. It will go to the Board of Finance on March 21, 2018. The Director stated that she has not been informed of any cuts. She will email to the Commission members a copy of the budget as it was approved by the Board of Selectman.
- b. 2018 Park Usage Fees
The Commission reviewed the fees and decided to keep them at the 2017 level. The Director stated that our fees are in line with towns of similar size and facilities.
- c. Financial Accounts Review
The Commission members were given a copy of the latest Financial report showing how the accounts stand. The Director stated that although some accounts are still very flush they will be spent down once spring arrives and materials for the park are

purchased. She also stated that benches have been purchased for Broad Brook Pond and the Veterans memorial.

d. Park Directors report.

Director Maltese told the Commission members that there will be a "Cruise Night" at East Windsor Park starting in May and continuing through the summer. All monies that are raised will come back to the Parks and Rec Department to use as scholarship so more children can be involved in the activities that this department offers. (i.e. Camp and afterschool)

The Commission members were given copies of the calendar for the months of March and April. This is a new venture but one that the Director feels will help get the word out. The calendars list all the various activities that are available so will be a quick reference for parents. The calendars will be on the web site as well as the Departments Facebook page. It includes Town wise events.

Mrs. Maltese stated that a new program assistant has been hired.

The Director state that the seasonal hiring process has begun and will continue through March. Interviews will be in April and training will be in May.

The Director stated that the Department now has a new web site through MyRec which is a cloud based registration program. Families need to set up an account and will be able to register for activities and pay any fees via credit/debit. She also stated that the Pavilions at East Windsor Park will be able to be reserved and paid for through this web site and that it has greatly streamlined this process.

March 24, 2018 will be Breakfast with the Easter Bunny. The Rotary Club will once again be providing the breakfast. The event will be in the cafeteria at East Windsor High School from 8:30 am to 11:30 am.

The Director stated that new programs have been started. A cooking program at the Middle School has been well received, however the instructor is leaving so they will be looking for a new instructor. Futsal Soccer is a new program. It is indoor soccer focusing on skills rather than scrimmages.

The Director stated that the Parks and Rec Department may be moving to the Annex. Details are still being worked out. Since the Park and Rec Department and the Human Services Department often work together and logistically it would make it easier. There is not target date.

Abbe Road Soccer Complex/Park/Pierce Memorial Park (Windsorville)/Prospect Hill Park (Warehouse Point)/Warehouse Point (Osborne Field) Park/Volunteer Park (Warehouse Point)

**MOTION: To ACCEPT the Director's report as presented:
Simpkins moved/Bagdikian second/VOTE: In favor: Unanimous**

CORRESPONDENCE

Mrs. Maltese share with the Commissioners thank you notes from East Windsor High School Boosters, the Transition Learning Class, and MyRec.com.

MISCELLANEOUS

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Bills were approved by Commissioner Simpkins

ADJOURMENT

**MOTION: To AJOURN MEETING AT 6:25 pm
Simpkins moved/Bagdikian second/Vote: In favor Unanimous**

Respectfully Submitted

Alma Irene Mosher
Recording Secretary