

Parks and Recreation Commission
7:00 PM Wednesday, September 13, 2017
Groton Senior Center
Meeting Minutes

I. Call to Order
7:00PM

II. Roll Call

PEIRCE

Commissioners Present: Jim Kamercia, Scott, ~~Peirson~~, Jeff Zuliani, and June Everand arrived at 7:12 pm.

Staff Present: Mark Berry

Commissioner Absent: Jon Grossman

III. Approval of Meeting Minutes: August 9, 2017
Amended date of Boating Advisory date to Oct. 19, 2017.

IV. Citizens Petitions and Comments
None

V. Town Council Referrals
None

VI. Correspondence/Communications

A. Commissioners

Residents and visitors alerted Parks and Recreation that Esker Point Beach is inundated with smelly seaweed. Beach was raked several times and seaweed was trucked off the property. Due to costs, Parks and Recreation is looking into purchasing special rake, so efforts no longer need to go out to a contractor. This will allow a more frequent raking of the beach.

Resident called with thanks and appreciation of the cleanup and reassembly of a memorial bench that was knocked over at Noank dock.

Parking of Golf carts reconfigured in a way not to impede the view from the restaurant and club house.

VII. Reports

A. Golf Course Report / GAB – Jim

GAB met Monday evening. Golf spreadsheet looks OK even with inclement weather experienced. Some damage to trees during storm. Staff member Steve Tootell retired.

Sent out survey to golfers. Received 252 responses. Concerns were consistent with issues we are already aware of or are already being addressed. Due to cost all concerns can't be addressed at one time.

B. Boating Advisory Board (BAB) – Scott

Next Boating Advisory Board meeting is scheduled for Oct. 19, 2017.

Peirce

Thank you to Commissioner, Scott ~~Pierson~~, for his time and effort of taking photos of waterways and more to be utilized in mapping and online.

C. Trails Coordinating Task Force – June
Next scheduled meeting is Dec. 7, 2017

D. Athletic Fields
Three Lacrosse tournaments looking to be scheduled in 2018.

E. Director of Parks & Recreation
Request to increase night meals at Sr. Center. Need to look into synchronization and coordinating if able.

There is a hiring and spending freeze in the Town of Groton.

Snow fence to be erected at Esker Point Beach to save beach sand this winter. Also, sand to be sifted to eliminate pebbles near volleyball area.

Survey for male members of Sr. Center was mentioned in a previous edition of The Day.

The US Navy Chief selects returned to PPP to finish their committed efforts at the park. Their effort was appreciated.

VIII. Unfinished Business

A. Rules & Regulations Review – pages 8-12
Proposed changes noted in draft copy of Parks Rules and Regulations.

Commissioner Jim Kamercia to review cemetery rules.

1. Discussion of youth sports field use fees.

Mark provided a detailed spreadsheet of expenses incurred at the sports fields and the use of all area athletic programs.

A motion was made by Scott to have uniform charge added to all fields per player of Groton sporting programs. Seconded by June. Vote unanimous.

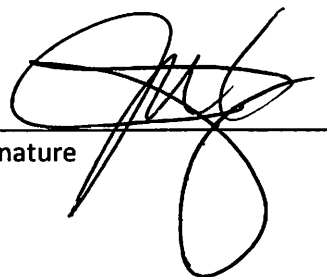
IX. New Business
None

X. Next Meeting Date: Wednesday, October 11, 2017 - 7:00 PM at Groton Senior Center

XI. Adjournment – 8:55 PM

June Motomak + Scott 2nd ad.

Minutes have been approved and accepted.



Signature

10/11/2017

Date

W/ Kamercia