**Weston Parks & Recreation Commission Meeting**

**FINAL Minutes**

**Monday, May 10, 2021**

**7:30 P.M.**

**Via Dial In and Online Web Meeting**

*Official actions of the commission in these minutes are indicated by underlining.*

The Weston Parks and Recreation Commission (WPRC) held its regular monthly meeting on Monday May 10, 2021 via dial in / online web meeting. Commissioners present: Eric Albert, Ed Bello, Carl Bernstein, Kirby Brendsel, and Mark Crowley. Also present was: Dave Ungar (Director Parks & Recreation), Joe Parciasepe (Parks & Recreation Program Director), and Lynn Stevens (Parks & Recreation Aquatic Director). Chairman Crowley called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m.

1. There was a motion to approve the minutes of the regular monthly Commission meeting on April 19, 2021 by Commissioner Bello that was seconded by Commissioner Albert. Motion was approved. For: 5 / Against: 0.
2. Public Forum: None
3. Unfinished Business
   1. Other Unfinished Business: None
4. Reports of standing committees and resulting motions:
   1. Administrative Committee (Mr. Crowley and Dave Ungar - Director Parks & Recreation):
      1. Fourth of July Discussion
         1. Recommendations still in place that would have had social distancing and other associated COVID-19 requirements, which increased difficulty in holding events along these lines (i.e., control of location and event).
         2. All other local towns decided to cancel fireworks.
         3. Town of Weston First Selectman Spaulding, Town Administrator Luiz, Director Parks & Recreation Dave Ungar, Parks & Recreation Program Director Joe Parciasepe, and Commissioner Crowley met to discuss.
         4. Town of Weston officials and admin decided not to hold the event due to marked amount of potential risk and liability.
   2. Aquatics Committee (Ms. Pocsik and and Lynn Stevens (Parks & Recreation Aquatic Director)):
      1. Pool is now open.
      2. Have begun conducting lifeguard and water safety classes in preparation for the summer.
      3. Required aquatics staffing is about half met, but still working to fill positions for lifeguards and swim instructors.
   3. Fields Committee (Mr. Bernstein & Mr. Schramm):
      1. Bisceglie Field Two Conversion was completed on Friday, May 7, 2021.
      2. Morehouse Field “donuts” damage was renovated.
   4. Programs Committee (Mr. Albert and Joe Parciasepe (Parks & Recreation Program Director))
      1. Program Supervisor Programming Report – Spring & Summer Camp Programs
         1. 191 campers have registered for this summer, with a few weeks entirely full.
         2. Programs are being moved around to accommodate school construction.
         3. Field hockey, tennis camps, and other sports specific camps have been added and are occurring.
   5. Parks Committee (Mr. Bernstein):
      1. Town has gone out to bid for proposals for the Dog Park parking lot and development of the actual area.
5. New Business: None
6. Correspondence:
   1. Received an email from Charlie Bailey at the Weston Swim Club on continuation of the discussion around the memorandum of understanding on the ability to use the pool during certain instances of school closure.
   2. Director Parks & Recreation Dave Ungar to follow up and ensure to work to support on getting the Weston Swim Club looped in on next steps and engagement with influential areas, such as the Facilities Sub-Committee, before the new School Superintendent is on board.
7. Announcements, remarks for the good of the order:
   1. Weston Mock Trial Team is going to the Nationals after winning the Connecticut State Championship.
8. Setting of continuation date if necessary and adjournment
   1. Motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Albert and and seconded by Commissioner Bello. Motion was approved. For: 5 / Against: 0.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:02 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kirby Brendsel,

Commissioner and Secretary, Weston Parks and Recreation Committee