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TOWN OF ELLINGTON

Parks and Recreation Commission

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ELLINGTON, CONNECTICUT 06029-0187
Parks and Recreation Commission
Meeting: January 17, 2018
7:00pm @ 31 Arbor Way
Meeting Minutes

MEMBERS PRESENT: Thomas Boscarino, Cynthia Costanzo, Shay Diwinsky (left at 7:39pm), Kevin Hayes, Sheryl Kraus, Gordon Oliver, Jenn Mullin, Christopher Weitz.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Robert Larew

OTHERS PRESENT: Robert Tedford, Director, Parks and Recreation; Peg Busse, Board of Finance Liason to Parks and Rec Commission; Brittany Lemire, Administrative Secretary, Recreation Department; Jim Shaw, Town of Ellington Resident and part of the Charter Revision Committee.

I. CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Gordon Oliver called the meeting of the Parks and Recreation Commission to order at 7:04pm at the Parks and Recreation Department.

II. CORRESPONDENCE: none

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A. Date: December 13, 2017
MOVED (BOSCARINO), SECONDED (WEITZ) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY
TO APPROVE THE October 11, 2017 MINUTES.

IV. PUBLIC FORUM: none

V. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT: none

VI. RECREATION DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Items A to J were discussed and updates were provided on those items that have been completed. This 2017/2018 season there are 44 travel and recreation basketball teams and 14 instructional basketball teams. Recreation Director, Robert Tedford, wants to assign each committee member a couple of basketball games on the weekends to attend and watch the atmosphere of the games. The renewal of the impact concussion testing is coming up and the Recreation Department plans to renew it for another 3 month period. This concussion testing is funded through the Recreation Department and provided to residents who participate in youth sports in the Town. The commission reviewed the January 24, 2018: BOS meeting update: Town Hall/Turf field meeting in regards to the turf field. For the Middle Road Property the foundation chose the company that they plan to work with for the playground. A \$1500.00 grant has been secured to enhance the Windermere trails and the Batz Property.

VII. **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

- A. Finance sub-committee will send out a draft on the budget. Sheryl Kraus was appointed onto the Finance sub-committee.
- B. Maintenance: Field usage: Discussed the policy of outside teams and clubs using our facilities.
- C. Outdoor facilities: Pinney Fields/Condo fields/Crystal Lake School athletic improvements.
- D. Operations meeting to be held on January 29, 2018 at 6:15pm at the Ellington Recreation Department the discussion will include attendance policy, coaches recording playing time of players, and problems regarding the social media aspect.

VIII. **OLD BUSINESS:**

- A. Friends of Tennis re Gazebo/Pavilion at Schwartz Park: The commission reviewed the request in writing from the Friends of Tennis. However, there were questions and unknowns brought up by the commission members. Christopher Weitz, Parks and Rec Commission member, agreed to open a conversation with the Friends of Tennis to seek answers for the questions and unknowns.

IX. **NEW BUSINESS:** none

X. **ADJOURNMENT:**

MOVED (BOSCARINO), SECONDED (WEITZ) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO
ADJOURN THE MEETING OF THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION AT 8:39
P.M.

Submitted by _____
Secretary