

WOODBRIAGE RECREATION DEPARTMENT

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RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES Monday, June 27, 2016

PRESENT:

Commission Members: Stan Gedansky, Pennell Hamilton, Robert Hill, David Lunt, Dwight Rowland, Jane Shernow, and Andrea Weinstein

Staff: John Adamovich, Recreation Director, Anthony Taddei, County Club Pool Director, Christopher Burr- Bahner, Assistant Pool Director,

Board of Selectmen Liaison: Maria Kayne

Public: Roger Sherman

Recorder: Jim Franco, Office Manager

Meeting Called to Order: 7:00 pm

1. Public Comments: **A) Roger Sherman mentioned that he is still pushing the Country Club.**
2. Minutes: Bob mentioned on page 3, that he was “concerned” about the iPad. Dwight Rowland **made a motion to approve the Special Recreation meeting minutes of Monday, May 23, 2016.** Bob Hill **seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Stan Gedansky abstained. Dwight Rowland made a motion to approve the Special Recreation meeting minutes of Monday, May 31, 2016.** Stan Gedansky **seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Bob Hill abstained.**
3. Liaison Reports: A) Maria Kayne reports that there is a new proposal from the Toll Brothers for \$5 million with 80 units that will use 42 acres, that would leave 113 acres of open space.
4. Town Plan – no new report
5. Time change of July and August Commission meeting. **Dwight Rowland made a motion to start the remaining 2016 Recreation Commission meetings at 7pm. Pennell Hamilton seconded the motion. All voted in favor.**
6. Field Fees – John spoke with Parks Director Adam Parsons. He suggests that the cost to prepare a field is \$50. So, for organizations that do not meet the 50 % residency requirement, they suggested a system similar to Orange. **Dwight Rowland made a motion to charge \$50 for up to 2 hours, \$100 for up to 4 hours, and \$200 for all day, starting with those rentals that begin after September 1, 2016. Pennell Hamilton seconded the motion. All voted in favor.** This new rate replaces the \$25 per field per day rate.
7. Country Club Pool: A) The Commission requests Anthony to keep projections on income and expenses. Anthony Taddei mentioned that they are up to 154 members with \$97,000. In income. \$1,300 in guest fees. 105 memberships are new, 49 returning members. 114 members are residents 40 are non-residents.

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Safety is highest priority. With the increased memberships, more supplies for cleaning are needed, such as paper towels and toilet paper. An increase in locker room cleaning – morning, midday and night. Jane mentions that proper foot attire should be worn due to the wet conditions in the locker room. Anthony states that he has 2 fans in the men's locker room, and 3 fans in the women's locker room, and that slippery floor signs are posted when the floor is wet. Also, more chemicals, such as chlorine are being used. B) 5 sandwich board signs are posted around town, at major intersections, stating that the Country Club hours. June attendance this year is 2568, compared to last year 2241. Bob was interested in where the members came from. Whether they came from another club, or if they never had a membership. C) Lifeguard chairs and umbrellas have been ordered. D) Bob advised the Commission that Tommy Miller had previously stated that they would landscape around the club, but apparently that hasn't happened. Anthony removed weeds around the delivery wall where Brad recently reconditioned. Anthony states that weed whacking is our responsibility. He would like to see flowers planted between the main and kiddie pool. Marie Kayne volunteered to plant the flowers. E) David Lunt mentioned that there is an issue with the swipe devise. He asks the Commission their thoughts on still obtaining the swipe devise as oppose to typing the card number in. The Commission would still like to see a swipe devise in place for security and efficiency. F) Anthony Taddei, John Adamovich, and Tony Genovese had concern with the food vendor arrangement and how it may impact our current on site vendor along with the liability and safety issue. Concern over tent events at the Country Club. Tommy Miller has been bringing in outside vendors, and having them store items in the Country Club. The Commission's concern is that the Country club vendor should have exclusive rights to storage. **Pennell Hamilton made a motion that outside vendors should not use the Country Club for storage space. Dwight Rowland seconded the motion. All voted in favor.** Another issue was if outside vendors are using the facility. The tables and chairs will be locked and a fee will be paid to the Country Club Pool in advance. The outside vendor fee that Billy Casper will pay will be: \$300 for table, chairs, and use of tent, \$100 for linens, and \$50 for trash, for a total of \$450. This must be prepaid. If they use Robert Klinger, Robert will pay us \$100 for linens, and \$50 for trash, for a total of \$150. Robert will be responsible for his set-up and clean up. **Dwight Rowland made a motion that if Billy Casper does not use our vendor, the cost is \$450, check twenty four hours in advance, for tables, chairs, linens, and trash, and Billy Casper is responsible for set-up and clean-up, if Robert Klinger is used, Robert Klinger pays the Town \$150 directly, and he is responsible for set-up and clean-up. Andrea Weinstein seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Bob Hill abstained.**

8. Pool – Running well.
9. Personnel: none
10. Fitness Center: A) Running smooth
11. Outdoor Facilites: A) Walking Trail – Bob mentioned that a great job was done repairing the washed out spot noted at May 23rd meeting.

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12. Tennis Courts: John is looking to repair Beecher North next year.
13. Financial: Director's Report, Budget, Report: Current expenses, we are at 86.2%. Last year we were at 94.0%. The previous year, we were at 99.8%. The current income was \$156,129.40 at 74.6%. Last year at this time it was 94.6%. Rec. Camp is at \$55,383.00, and Pre-school camp is at \$6,387.00, not included in that figure. The Country Club Pool expenses are at 90.0 %. Last year at this time they were at 89.4%.
14. Programs: A) no report
15. Summer Concerts: July 5th is the first concert. It is a Billy Joel tribute band. It is also the "Taste of Woodbridge". July 12th is the Big Beat". July 19th is Angelo Ruggiero. It will also feature "Rec-A-Rama" which will be a demonstration of Rec. programs. July 26th is the Vybrations.
16. Correspondence: A). Thank you letter form Amity High School for mentoring a student. B) Field Requests – Beth-Wood Baseball, Jewish Community Center, Amity Soccer, Amity Cross-Country, Amity Swim Teams, Woodbridge Soccer Club, Mark Aferzon, Haq Nawaz. Jim mentioned that we can offer Haq, West River on Wednesday evenings. **Pennell Hamilton made a motion to approve the fall field requests. David Lunt seconded the motion. All voted in favor.**
17. Policies and Procedures: A) no report

Pennell Hamilton made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Andrea Weinstein seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Meeting adjourned at 9:45 pm.