

The Shelton Parks and Recreation Commission November 20, 2008 Page 1 of 3

The Shelton Parks and Recreation Commission held a regular meeting on Thursday, November 20th, 2008 at 7:30 PM in the Shelton Community Center 54 Hill Street Shelton Ct 06484.

Commission Members:

- John Papa, Chairman
- Diana Barry
- Gary Cahill
- Joseph DeFilippo
- Paul Gabor
- Stanley Kudej
- Harry Labonda (excused)
- Carey Moran
- Michelle Pagliaro Haywood
- David Zamba
- Robert Zuraw(excused)
- Allyson Burke

Staff Members:

- Ronald Herrick, Director of Parks & Recreation
- AnnMarie Boehlert, Aquatic Director
- Dean Cawthra, Parks Superintendent (excused)
- Jim Mastrony, Recreation Supervisor

(Tape 1 Side A)

Chairman Papa opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Papa recommended that agenda number 9a. and 9b. be moved to before the public portion. **Motion was made by Gary Cahill and seconded by Dave Zamba, all were in favor. The motion carried.**

OLD BUSINESS:

a. Capewell Park Soccer Plans

A proposed plan was presented. The property was resurveyed. The concern of parking was addressed. Additional parking would be added on site. An access road would also be added with additional parking there. No money is being asked from the Park and Rec Commission or the City. A proposed design was put in for the number of fields originally requested. A question and answer portion followed the discussion. Concerns over the access road were discussed. There is no plan for lights at this time.

(Tape 1 Side B)

b. Dog Park Committee

Chairman Papa stated that we are going to set up an Ad Hoc Committee made up of 6 people meetings starting at the beginning of the New Year. **Gary Cahill motioned to establish an Adhoc Committee for the purpose of establishing a site for a dog park. The Committee shall be made up of Kathy Yolish, Ken Pryor, Tom Harbinson, John Papa, Ron Herrick and Laura Wells. Joe DeFilippo seconded the motion, all were in favor. The Motion carried.**

PUBLIC PORTION:

.Michael Jiang , 54 Carley Street, spoke on behalf of an appeal of discriminatory swimming rules against himself and his children. Ann Marie Boehlert stated the regulations of swimming of a swimmer and a non- swimmer. In print it now states that 25 yards either in a stroke on the front, stroke on the back, or a combination of. Mr. Jiang stated that he tried numerous times after his suspension to reach Ms. Boehlert, his attempts were unsuccessful. Ms. Boehlert stated that his child is classified as a non-swimmer. Mr. Jiang stated that the rule changed and was put in print as late of last week.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES:

Chairman Papa asked everyone to review the minutes of the October meeting. .

On a motion made by Dave Zamba to accept the October minutes, seconded by Michelle Haywood, all were in favor. The motion carried.

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CORRESPONDENCE:

Mr. Herrick read a letter thanking Shelton Parks and Rec for the use of Riverview Park for parking during the Housatonic Rowing.

Mr. Herrick read a letter from Rick Schultz to Mr. Szymarick regarding the inspection of the property and the fence.

STAFF REPORTS:

DIRECTORS REPORT:

Mr. Herrick reported on volleyball, basketball. He stated on the water mains freezing.

Cheerleading is being looked at; some space at the High School has been given. There is no more football practice. The dehumidifiers are here and are waiting to be installed.

PARKS SUPERINTENDENT:

Report was looked at. There has been a lot of trash at Capewell Park it has been cleaned up.

AQUATIC DIRECTOR:

Ms. Boehlert reported on looking to get instructors in during Christmas break for courses. The pool will be cleaned during Thanksgiving break.

RECREATION SUPERVISOR:

A new company is being brought in to cater to 3 to 6 year olds for soccer and baseball during February, Spring, and Summer vacation. He reported that the paperwork will be beginning on a grant for dock at boat ramp. The Skate Park is now closed. The numbers this year has been low.

On a motion made by Dave Zamba to accept all Staff Reports, seconded by Gary Cahill, all were in favor. The motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FINANCE:

Mr. Gabor reported that there were not many bills.

GAZEBO:

Mrs. Moran reported that they will be starting up soon. The Fireworks are set for July 2nd with a rain date on the 3rd.

FIELD MAINTENANCE:

Mr. Kudej reported that Riverview Park was vandalized during Halloween weekend. The Long Hill ball parks are going out to bid in January. The fields have been winterized. The Nike Site fence is in need of repairs .

PARK IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE:

No report.

CONSERVATION COMMITTEE:

Mr Zamba reported that the open space plan has been finalized and will be going to the Alderman for review.

A motion was made by Michele Haywood accept all Committee Reports, seconded by Carey Moran, all were in favor. The motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

No report.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Chairman Papa reported that the Alderman approved the Nike Site septic system. The license for the music that is played has been paid.

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:25 was made by Dave Zamba seconded by Michele Haywood, all were in favor. The motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by,

Peggy Camp

Clerk

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