

# The Shelton Parks and Recreation Commission February 19<sup>th</sup>, 2009 Page 1 of 3

The Shelton Parks and Recreation Commission held a regular meeting on Thursday February 19<sup>th</sup>, 2009 at 7:30 PM in the Shelton Community Center 54 Hill Street Shelton Ct 06484.

Commission Members:

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

Staff Members:

- Ronald Herrick, Director of Parks & Recreation
- Ann Marie Boehlert, Aquatic Director
- Dean Cawthra, Parks Superintendent (absent)
- Jim Mastrony, Recreation Supervisor (absent)

Chairman Papa opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

## **PUBLIC PORTION:**

There being no one from the public, the public portion was closed.

## **ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES:**

**On a motion made by David Zamba to accept the December minutes, seconded by Gary Cahill, all were in favor. The motion carried.**

## **CORRESPONDENCE:**

Mr. Herrick discussed a letter from Thomas Vaught regarding the Dog Park and his willingness to assist in any way.

Mr. Herrick also read a letter for John Niski that appeared in the Huntington Herald stating his thanks to several community groups for their support during the recent fire at the High School.

## **STAFF REPORTS:**

### **DIRECTORS REPORT:**

Mr. Herrick reported that the pool drain covers are back order. Cleaning service bids will be finalized. Approximately \$500 will be saved monthly. Mr. Herrick reported that the dock application has been sent to Charlene DeFlippo. The problem with the dock is the installation of the pilings. The other problem is the erosion and the possible violation according to the DEP. The grant might be effected depending on if we are in violation.

Mr. Herrick also reported that indoor leagues are staring to wind down. Mr. Niski has requested a meeting regarding the maintenance of the High School baseball fields. The sprinkler heads have been installed in the pool area. The budget was submitted to the Mayor and he cut the Park and Recs budget by \$88,000.00.

Mr. Herrick received a call and read a letter from Bob Trez regarding the start up of the AYF, American Youth Football, league, and the use of fields for practices and games. A discussion followed.

**PARKS SUPERINTENDENT:**

Mr. Cawthra's report was looked at. Mr. Herrick discussed the problem with water and mold at the Senior Center. Programs have been moved to the Community Center. There has been no brush work done at the High School due to the fire.

**AQUATIC DIRECTOR:**

Ms. Boehlert's discussed her report. She stated that the swimming has been low in the summer due to the fact that the State offers free lessons to the public. She is going to go through all of the corporations in town and ask them to sponsor a Shelton resident for swim lessons during the summer.

**RECREATION SUPERVISOR:**

No Report.

**On a motion made by David Zamba to accept all Staff Reports, seconded by Joseph DeFilippo, all were in favor. The motion carried.**

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**FINANCE:**

Mr. Gabor reported that there was nothing of significance.

**GAZEBO:**

Mr. Zamba reported that bids will go out next week for the Fireworks. There are 3 remaining bands to fill for the Summer Concert series.

**FIELD MAINTENANCE:**

No report.

**PARK IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE:**

No report.

**CONSERVATION COMMITTEE:**

Mr. Zamba reported on the open space plan being passed by the P&Z board and will move onto the Board of Alderman.

**A motion was made by Allyson Burke to accept all Committee Reports, seconded by Gary Cahill, all were in favor. The motion carried.**

**CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:**

Chairman Papa asked Mr. Herrick to read the minutes from the Dog Park Adhoc Committee's first meeting. Chairman Papa commented on how well the meeting went. Possible places for the Dog Park were discussed.

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**OLD BUSINESS:**

Chairman Papa reported on Mr. Jiang's suspension and 4 weeks have been removed from his suspension.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

No report

**A motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 was made by David Zamba seconded by Paul Gabor all were in favor. The motion carried.**

Respectfully submitted by,

*Peggy Camp*

Clerk

1 Tapes on file in the Town Clerk's Office.  
Attachments are not available on the website.