

Torrington Parks and Recreation Commission

Minutes of Meeting

March 2, 2011

Chairperson Patricia Fairchild called to order a meeting of the Parks and Recreation Commission on Wednesday, March 2, 2011 at 6:00P.M.at the Armory. In attendance were Commissioners Fran Ducotey, Dan Lovallo, Jim Pescatore, and Superintendent Brett Simmons.

**Adoption of Previous Month's Minutes**

On a motion by Dan Lovallo with a second by Jim Pescatore, the commission voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the February 2, 2011 meeting.

On a motion by Jim Pescatore with a second by Fran Ducotey, the commission voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the February 8, 2011 special meeting.

On a motion by Fran Ducotey with a second by Dan Lovallo, the commission voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the February 16, 2011 special meeting.

**Correspondence:** None

**Citizen's Comments:** None

**Facility Use**

On a motion by Jim Pescatore with a second by Dan Lovallo the commission voted unanimously to approve the request of the Cystic Fibrosis for Coe Memorial Park on Saturday, May 21, 2011 with appropriate fees.

On a motion by Dan Lovallo with a second by Fran Ducotey, the commission voted unanimously to approve the Mayor's Committee on Youth request for Coe Memorial Park on April 19, 2011.

On a motion by Dan Lovallo with a second by Jim Pescatore, the commission voted unanimously to approve the Center for Cancer Care's request for Coe Memorial Park on August 7, 2011 with fees waived for this year due to past overpayment.

On a motion by Jim Pescatore with a second by Fran Ducotey, the commission voted unanimously to approve the request of PAL for the Armory on Tuesdays and Thursdays from March until May.

On a motion by Dan Lovallo with a second by Fran Ducotey, the commission voted unanimously to approve the request from the Mayor's office for the Armory on August 15, 2011.

**Agenda Change:** On a motion by Jim Pescatore with a second by Fran Ducotey, the commission voted unanimously to change the order of the agenda and move into **Other Business**.

**Other Business:**

- Brian Mattiello, Chairman of the Fuessenich Park Partnership Commission, explained the draft Governance Document to the commission.
- On a motion by Fran Ducotey with a second by Dan Lovallo, the commission voted unanimously to approve the Fuessenich Park Lease with Torrington Baseball Group, LLC. and to recommend it to the City Council.

## **Programs**

Chairperson Fairchild reported on the successful Winter Carnival. Many positive comments from participants were given.

In the absence of Recreation Director, Donna Winn, Brett Simmons reported that:

- Donna is working on the new brochure.
- Easter Egg Hunt will be April 16<sup>th</sup> and breakfast with the Easter Bunny will be April 17<sup>th</sup>.
- The Pitch, Hit and Run competition will be April 9<sup>th</sup> with a rain date of April 10<sup>th</sup>.
- There may be a possible consolidation of summer playground sites.

## **Sports: Softball Updates**

Brett reported that Donna has sent out an email with the updated ASA rule changes. Ernestine Weaver will be consulted as to the pregnancy ruling.

## **Capital/ Budget Updates**

Brett updated the commission on various capital projects which will be undertaken this year. He also updated the commission on the status of the budget meeting held in the mayor's office.

## **Facility Operations**

Brett distributed a list of projects that have been completed, that are on-going and are upcoming.

## **Coe Memorial Park**

Brett explained the Flag Pole Proposal that will be passed on to the Coe Park Advisory Committee.

Commissioners also responded to the motions of the Advisory Committee. These were recorded on the Meeting Motion Form.

## **Old Business: None**

## **New Business: None**

On a motion by Dan Lovallo with a second by Jim Pescatore, the commission voted unanimously to adjourn at 7:41 P.M.

Submitted by,

Patricia Fairchild

Chairperson and Recorder of the Day