Colchester Parks & Recreation Commission

June 5, 2017 7:00 Town Hall Rm. 3 Meeting Minutes

MEMBERS PRESENT: E. Kundahl, N. Kaplan, T. Loskant, D. O'Brien, K. Moody

OTHERS PRESENT: D. Mizla, A. Bisbikos

1. Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 7:04 PM by E. Kundahl

2. Additions to the Agenda

None

3. Acceptance of Minutes: April 3, 2017

N. Kaplan MOTIONED to accept the minutes of the April 3, 2017. SECONDED by K. Moody. All members present voted in favor. MOTION CARRIED.

4. Reading of Correspondence

None

5. Committee Reports

- Facilities N. Kaplan reported that he would like to have J. Paggioli address the High School about using the fields after it rains. Fields can deteriorate quickly after rain. Commissioners also suggest that when the e-mail goes out about fields being closed, leave it as simply closed after 3:00 PM.
- Ordinance & Code Review Ordinance has been approved and will go into effect on July 10th. T. Loskant suggested that this ordinance be sent to each president.
- Finance/Administration No Report
- Programs No Report
- **BOS Liaison** D. Mizla reported the ordinance went to public hearing. It was approved. She reminded commission that there is a Town Meeting tomorrow and a referendum on the 13th for the 2017-2018 budget.
- **BOF Liaison** A. Bisbikos readdressed the budget referendum. Spoke on supplemental billing and capital spending freeze suggestions that were talked about at BOF meetings. There is potentially a \$4.5 million budget cut coming from the State of Connecticut.
- BOE Liaison No one present

6. Discussion and Possible Action on League Endorsement

T. Loskant MOTIONED to approve the League Endorsement of the Colchester Cougars. SECONDED by D. O'Brien. All members present voted in favor. MOTION CARRIED.

7. Discussion and Update on Field Improvement Fund

A draft of priority needs for the fields was presented and discussed. N. Kaplan stated that community members have expressed concern to him about where the fund money would go. Concern that the money would go back into the town general fund

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and not be used for the fields. T. Loskant suggested a notice in the paper once the fund and fee has been approved.

8. Recreation Supervisor's Report

N. Kaplan MOTIONED to accept the Recreation Supervisor's Report. SECONDED by T. Loskant. All members present voted in favor. MOTION CARRIED.

9. Recreation Manager's Report

Commission would like to have a Field Sub-Committee meeting soon to finalize the priority field needs and then would like to present it to the Commission at a special meeting preferably prior to the August 7th President's Meeting. K. Moody MOTIONED to accept the Recreation Manager's Report. SECONDED by D. O'Brien. All members present voted in favor. MOTION CARRIED.

10. Citizen's Comments

D. Mizla asked if there was a decision on the 57Fest. E. Kundahl stated that he believed the decision was waiting to see what happens at the budget referendum. N. Kaplan stated his concern that the budget will not pass.

11. Adjournment

N. Kaplan MOTIONED to adjourn the meeting at 8:08 PM. SECONDED by K. Moody. All members present voted in favor. MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully Submitted,

Joanie Campbell