

TOWN OF EAST WINDSOR  
PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

REGULAR MEETING  
March 9, 2009

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The regular meeting was called to order by Chairman Hayes at 7:00 p.m. in the Parks and Recreation Office located at the East Windsor High School, 76 S. Main Street, East Windsor, CT.

**PRESENT:** Chairman Hayes, Commissioners Raber, and Waltiere; Park Director Green; and Mary Lou Morell from the Park Office.

**ABSENT:** Commissioners Simpkins and Szymanski and Groundsman Tetro.

**GUESTS:** None

**ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM:**

A quorum was established as three commission members were present.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:**

None

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Approval of the January 26, 2009 Special Meeting minutes was postponed as all Commissioners required for approval were not present at this meeting.

**MOTION: To APPROVE minutes of the Regular Meeting dated February 9, 2009 as written.**

**Raber moved/Waltiere seconded/VOTE: In Favor:  
Unanimous.**

**ADDED AGENDA ITEMS:**

None

**OLD BUSINESS:**

a. BMX Skate Park

Chairman Hayes reported the group raised \$2,800 from the Braider bread fundraiser event.

**LET THE RECORD SHOW THAT COMMISSIONER SZYMANSKI ARRIVED AT 7:04 p.m.**

**OLD BUSINESS: (continued):**

b. Dog Owners Park

There will be a May fundraiser wolf showing on Sunday, May 11, 2009 at the East Windsor Middle School. If sufficient participation, two showings may be scheduled. Pizza, soda and water will be available for purchase.

The group is also canvassing out-of-town businesses for donations.

c. Boundless Playground

Director Green reported that there will be a community workshop for adults to be held in the Library of the East Windsor High School on March 19, 2009 from 6:30 to 8:30 to solicit volunteers for the project and view playground components. Babysitting will be available.

On Saturday, March 21, 2009 at the Town Hall Annex a Bream & Design breakfast will be held from 10:00 a.m. to Noon for kids to design a playground. They will have the opportunity to try out components of the system as well.

For fundraising events a monthly Friday night movie and popcorn, beginning March 27, 2009, will be held at the East Windsor Middle School for grades 5 through 8. Cost is \$5.00 per child and they get to choose the movie.

Director Green is developing a bowl-a-thon event at Bradley Bowl possibly during April vacation. Teams will compete against each other or against other Towns.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

a. Financial Accounts Review

The February 2009 Budget by Department was distributed and discussed. The over time line item and several other expense lines were reviewed and discussed.

The Parks and Recreation Budget will be presented to the Board of Finance on Wednesday, March 25, 2009 at 7:30 p.m. in the cafeteria of the East Windsor High School. Town Departments have been supporting each other with their presentations.

**NEW BUSINESS (continued):**

b. Summer Camp Fees

Handouts were given to Commission members comparing the 2007/2008 camp figures. Rates will remain the same for 2009.

c. Broad Brook Angling Club

The annual Kids Fishing Derby will be held on Saturday, May 2, 2009 at the East Windsor Park. The Club is seeking a \$250 donation towards the purchase of prizes for the Derby.

**MOTION: To Co-Sponsor the Kids Fishing Derby and contribute \$250.00 towards prizes.**

**Szymanski moved/Raber seconded/VOTE: In Favor:  
Unanimous**

d. Park Director's Report

Director Green reported there will be a Boards and Commission training session at the Town Hall on Thursday, April 16, 2009 at 6:00 p.m. on how to run a meeting, etc.

Director Green stated that the Shovel Ready projects as submitted to Congressman Larsen's office are now being passed through Senator Dodd's office.

Chris Spada is participating in the Keep It Green project on March 28, 2009 from 10:00 a.m. He is asking for any resources the Department could contribute to this project. Parks and Recreation could contribute trash bags and disposable gloves.

Director Green informed the Commission that there is \$15, 000 in the CIP/CNR Account allocated to Warehouse Point Park/Osborn Field. She is working on a plan to spend those funds.

Other areas for consideration are:

East Windsor Park – Update the Pavilion bathrooms, kitchens and build a storage area; replace baseball fence cap material, update/replace park signage.

Pierce Memorial Park – paint the basketball court, install a new backstop, update the swing set and purchase a new sign with a picture of Bernard Pierce.

**NEW BUSINESS/d) Park Director's Report (continued):**

Director Green has updated the Facility Use Application for rentable fields use and will place it on-line.

Director Green has received many requests for field usage at Abbe Road Soccer Complex. The requests are for games on Wednesdays, Thursdays, Saturday and Sunday. She is in the process of working out the scheduling for that facility.

Summer employee applications are coming in and will close on April 2, 2009.

**Leagues/Broad Brook Pond Park/Prospect Hill Park (Warehouse Point):**

No discussion this evening.

e. Groundsman's Report

Park Director Green reported that the large equipment is being serviced and repaired. It was necessary to install new motor mounts on the tractor. Turf Products is coming out to evaluate why the mower tires have unusual wear so early in its life cycle.

Spring materials are being ordered such as line paint, grass seed and fertilizer. Groundsman Tetro is looking to replace the fencing at East Windsor Park in location of the tennis court and 1st parking lot that borders the adjoining property owner.

**Leagues/Abbe Road Soccer Complex/Broad Brook Pond Park/Pierce Memorial Park (Windsorville)/Prospect Hill Park (Warehouse Point)/Warehouse Point (Osborn Field) Park:**

No discussion this evening.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

None.

**MISCELLANEOUS:**

Commissioner Raber questioned why skating was not allowed at East Windsor Park.

**APPROVAL OF BILLS:**

The bills were reviewed and signed by Commissioners Waltiere and Raber.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**MOTION: To ADJOURN this meeting at 7:58 p.m.**

**Szymanski moved/Waltiere seconded/VOTE: In Favor:  
Unanimous**

Respectfully submitted, \_\_\_\_\_  
Mary Lou Morell  
Recording Secretary