

Town of East Haven, CT  
Recreation & Athletic Complex Special Meeting Minutes  
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**Members Present:**

Chairwoman Temple Smith  
Vice-Chair William Porto  
Commissioner Woody Esposito

**Staff Present:**

Louis Pane, Director  
Robert Parente, Pub. Works

**Public Present**

Michael Apotrias  
Andres Dussan  
Anita Mazzucco  
Mary Cannata

Chairwoman Smith called the special meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. Roll was called and a quorum was present.

**Discuss & Take any Necessary Action on the request from the Hagaman Memorial Library regarding concerts on the Beach**

Mary Cannata spoke to the commission regarding the request to use the Beach House and for the concerts that the Library would like to have. She explained that she was there as part of the Friends of the Library which is sponsoring the first concert and would like approval for signs to be placed at the beach stating the day of the concert. The signs are about the same size as political signs (2x3) and are not permanent. She did also request that a larger sign (2x8) be available to put up to show that the Friends of the Library are sponsoring them. Mr. Parente stated that she may need to speak to Town Hall regarding the larger sign if they wanted it on stakes. He then asked if she needed the bathrooms open later which would need approval as well.

After some discussion a **MOTION** was made by Chairwoman Smith to approve the dates of the concerts as 6/14, 7/25, and 8/22 with the exception that they are not able to hand out refreshments. Commissioner Esposito seconded. All were in favor, none were opposed and none abstained. **MOTION CARRIED**

**MOTION** made by Commissioner Esposito to approve the bathrooms to stay open until 8:30 pm. Vice-Chair Porto seconded. All were in favor, none were opposed and none abstained. **MOTION CARRIED**

**MOTION** made by Commissioner Esposito made to approve the 2x3 signs on the beach for the days of the concerts. Vice-Chair Porto seconded. All were in favor, none were opposed and none abstained. **MOTION CARRIED**

**MOTION** made by Vice-Chair Porto to allow the larger sign be hung on a table that the Library would bring or they could hang it on the doors behind where the band will play. Commissioner Esposito seconded. All were in favor, none were opposed and none abstained. **MOTION CARRIED** Mary Cannata stated she just wanted to recap that the

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events will be taking place between 5:30-8:00, the bathrooms will stay open until 8:00-8:30 and no refreshments can be handed out. Director Pane stated that if they wanted to feed their own board members or the bands they are allowed to do so inside the beach house but it can't be open to the public. Mary thanked the commission for their time.

**Discuss and Take Any Necessary Action on Bocce Court Lights on the Town Beach**

Director Pane asked resident Andres Dussan why he wanted to have lights placed at the Bocce Courts. Mr. Dussan stated that there are Bocce Leagues that are held at night and they run late and it gets dark sometimes before matches are complete. He explained that the lights would be placed facing straight down on the court and one facing the beach house so no homes would be in direct contact with the lights. He explained the process and the scope of work he had in mind. Mr. Parente stated that Public Works has signed off on the project so there will be no union issues but what was concerning was safety and who would be responsible if someone got hurt that was volunteering his time. Mr. Dussan said he would have the volunteers sign a hold harmless agreement. Mr. Dussan works for Pasquariello Electric, who performs lots of work in Town and he is a certified electrician. He will speak to the owner of the company to back this project which would not cost anything to the Town. After a long discussion, Chairwoman Smith made a **MOTION** to approve the project with the conditions that Mr. Dussan work with Mr. Parente and Director Lou Pane in conjunction with Town Hall and follow all regulations of Town as long as all bases are covered. Commissioner Esposito seconded. All were in favor, none were opposed and none abstained. **MOTION CARRIED**

**Discuss and Take Any Necessary Action on EH Aquatics**

Chairwoman Smith stated that there really isn't anything that can be discussed about this as the Town Attorney is handling this and nothing can be done until July. However, she had some questions regarding their records and would like to see them and see where the proceeds go. There is no action to be taken on this item at this time.

There being no other business to come before the commission, a **MOTION** to adjourn the meeting at 7:53 was made by Vice-Chair Porto and seconded by Commissioner Esposito. All were in favor, none were opposed and none abstained. **MOTION CARRIED**

Respectfully Submitted,

*Linda S. LaLuna*

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