

Town of East Haven, CT
Recreation & Athletic Complex Commission Minutes
Monday April 8, 2019, 7:00 P.M., East Haven Sr. Center
91 Taylor Avenue, East Haven, CT 06512

MINUTES

Meeting was called to order at 7pm

Roll Call

Temple Smith, Linda Simone, William Porto, Billy Esposito, Lou Pane, Director of the Recreation Department – All Present. Also in attendance were Bob Parente, Superintendent of Public Works and Town Council Member, Joey Deko and Joe Cafora, Town Council Members.

Approval of Minutes

Temple Smith made a motion to table the minutes from September as one had the minutes with them. Linda Simone seconded the motion. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Correspondence Received

None

Correspondence Sent

None

Public Session

Michele Roberts speaks about wanting to put a Holiday Solciste sign on the green during Christmas with religious symbol signs on the sign. She feels that it is public space and she should be able to place a sign there. There was discussion from the board as to if it were their jurisdiction to approve or disapprove signs on the green. Temple Smith stated that she would check with Town Hall as to if it were there jurisdiction. (Temple Smith checked with the Town Attorney Joseph Zullo as well as called back Michele Roberts to tell her that it was the decision of the Mayor's office as to what can be placed as a sign on the green). Joey Deko and Joe Carfora who meet with Cosey Beach residents on the first Monday of the

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month , brought to the attention of the board regarding the use and time abuse of people using the covered picnic space on the green and that the town's people never get a change to use this space and how out of town people come very early and take up the space for the day. He suggested that maybe there is a process put in place with a fee and reservation for that space for the day. It was discussed by the board and Lou Pane of who and how that space would be monitored. The goal was to allow towns' people first choice in using town beach space as the resident should come first. In the end the realization was that because it was funded by a grant we cannot ask for a fee for the space and that a verbal reservation would be the only recourse.

Director's Report

Lou Pane stated that at the ice rink the ice is out and there will be capital improvements done this summer inside. Basketball begins in June. Spring and summer guides were sent to the schools for distribution. The beach opens Memorial Day and will be closing on Labor Day. Registration for Summer Day Camp will be in May and June. The Easter egg hunt will be hosted the Saturday before Easter at the tennis courts near the ice rink. Registration clinics are being held for Basketball, Softball, Soccer, Football, as well as Life Guard and CPR certification courses. Since the town has taken over the swim program they have about 30 to 35 kids who are taking part in the program. Also the handicap lift access to the pool is being repaired and the parts are in and will be completed this coming week.

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Old Business

None

New Business

None

Adjournment

Billy makes a motion to adjourn at 8:00 p.m. Woody seconds the motion. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Temple Smith
Sub-Clerk