

Burrillville

Recreation Commission

RE: Minutes, January 10, 2011

Present: Cheri Hall, Director Alice Lavigne

Al Gerew, Chair Al Low

Juliette Lopez-Recinos-Vice Chair

Timothy Pratt

Kevin Mazarella, Secretary

Stephen Rawson, Burrillville Town Council Liaison

Absent: -----

Excused: Dave Marcotte

Guests: -----

Meeting called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Al Gerew, Chair at the Burrillville Parks and Recreation Offices, 92 North Main Street, Pascoag, R.I.

Motion to accept minutes of December 13, 2010 regular meeting by Al Low. Seconded by Juliette Lopez-Recinos. Motion passed 5-0.

Correspondence:

Workshop announced with Council to give overview of the Department.

Al Gerew received correspondence of alternate member for the Commission be interviewed.

Good & Welfare:

None

Old Business:

Holiday Ornaments

The Director updated the Commission on the response for the ornaments. (63) ornaments sold with (187) yet to sell. Ideas were exchanged on marketing the continued sales and next year's ornament. The Director will have the advertisement on the web site changed reflecting limited addition, etc.

Second in a series will be coming out soon. Recreation Commission member Al Low reported that often the second ornament takes off and people want the first in the series also. Al Gerew questioned speaking to Wright's Farm about the potential of carrying the ornaments in their gift shop. The ornaments will also be available at the Spring Lake Beach main gate.

Spring Lake Beach Leases

The Director stated that the awards to the arcade and the concession were made by the Town Council. A copy of the Lease agreement for the concession was shared with the commission and stated that the basic agreement is the same for the arcade. Juliette Lopez-Recinos and John Bateman will be asked to stop at the office to sign before key assignment.

Branch River Park Tennis/Basketball Court Equipment

The Director reported that the bid recommendation for award of the basketball and tennis equipment at Branch River Park is on the January 12th agenda for the Town Council.

Budgets

The report being submitted to the Budget Board was shared with commission members. Recommended budgets for Spring Lake Beach, Recreation Center, Department Budget, Recreation Programs and Burrillville Extended Care were provided to the Commission. The Recreation Commission voted to approve the submittal to the Budget Board with one amendment. After a lengthy discussion the Commission recommended amending the Department Budget be changed to add back in the part time person for the office.

Motion to accept department budget with amendment made by Juliette Lopez-Recinos. Seconded by Kevin Mazzarella. Motion passed 5-0.

The Director reported the submittal of \$36,000 for engineering services for the replacement of the Brown Building (Guard House) at Spring Lake Beach. Question was raised by Al Gerew as to the merits of the apartment upstairs in this building. The Director stated that more than one option may be considered with the ultimate decision made by the Council. Another recommendation for the Capital Improvement Budget is the expansion of the Recreation Center in Pascoag.

Motion to approve the Capital Recreation Improvement Budget made by Al Low. Seconded by Alice Lavigne. Motion passed 5-0.

Juliette Lopez-Recinos requested any update on the skate park. The Director reported a letter was received from the State of Rhode Island allowing the Town of Burrillville to purchase the land targeted as the new location for the skate park located on Route 107.

This land transfer is a lengthy process. Steve Rawson suggested that meanwhile this area could be a potential location for an “Adopt-A-Spot” for improvements.

New Business:

Reorganization of Officers

The Director stated that January is the time for the reorganization of officers.

Alice Lavigne nominated Al Gerew for President, Juliette Lopez-Recinos for Vice President and Kevin Mazzarella as Secretary. Seconded by Timothy Pratt. No other nominations from the floor. All nominees accepted. Motion passed 5-0.

The Director stated the By-Laws will be added to the next meeting agenda for review for any necessary updates.

Meeting Adjourned: Motion made Juliette Lopez-Recinos. Seconded by Alice Lavigne. Meeting adjourned at 7:52 p.m. Motion Passed 5-0.

Next Meeting: Monday, February 14, 2011 at 6:30 p.m., Burrillville Parks & Recreation Office, 92

North Main Street, Pascoag, RI 02859

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