

Burrillville

Recreation Commission

RE: Minutes, July 9, 2012

Present: Cheri Hall, Director

Juliette Lopez - Chair Kevin Mazarella, Secretary

Ken Milligan, III, Ph.D Dave Marcotte – Vice Chair

Al Gerew

Absent: Al Low

Excused: Alice Lavigne

Timothy Pratt

Guests: None

Meeting called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Judy- Lopez, Chair

Motion to accept minutes of June 11, 2012, made by Dave Marcotte.

Seconded by Al Gerew passed 5-0.

Correspondence:

Judy Lopez, Chair, shared a letter with the commission from Mike Wood, Town Manager. The letter explained how the merger of Parks

and Rec. and Public Works will run. Also included was an organizational chart.

Good & Welfare:

Judy Lopez, Chair shared with the commission her conversation with Mike Wood, Town Manager. Mike explained to Judy how the merger of the 2 departments would work, which was explained again in the letter she received from him.

The Director, Cheri Hall stated her official retirement date is September 28th, 2012.

A motion was made by Al Gerew and seconded by Kevin Mazzarella that the Chair will send a letter to Town Council President Nancy Binns to extend an invitation to attend our next meeting on August 14, 2012. The Commission will provide Nancy with our questions and concerns within the next 2 weeks. The Commission will forward all questions and concerns to the Secretary, Kevin Mazzarella by Thursday, July 12, 2012. We will be addressing concerns that were not addressed in the letter the Commission received from the Town Manager, Mike Wood. Motion passed 5-0

Al Gerew requested that the Town Council liaison subject be put on the next agenda. He expressed concern and discussed the issue of the Commission not being invited to the ribbon cutting ceremony for the new bike path in town.

Al Gerew opened a discussion regarding attendance at our Commission meetings and asked what the policy is on notifying the Commission when there will be an absence. The Secretary, Kevin Mazzarella will look up the by-laws and share with the Commission on the next meeting.

Old Business:

DEM Grants - Skate Park / Spring Lake

The Director stated that the Commission will be looking at potential parcels of land for acquisition to use the upcoming grants. Spring Lake – the owner of the lot for sale has decided that they will not sell the lot to the Town. The Director also stated that Mike Wood has received a letter from a local resident explaining why they do not want the skate park. The Town is handling the response to this letter.

Fishing / Canoe Launch

Nothing new

Spring Lake Beach

The Director stated that the new store is doing well and so far things are running well overall. The geese problem has been resolved.

Park Map

Ken Milligan, PhD stated that he should have some work completed by our next meeting.

Duck Race

The race is August 19th, 2012. The Director stated that all money is due now.

Youth Basketball

The Director stated that things are going well and the youth basketball has a new board.

New Business:

Fall Programming

Programs are all set to start.

Department Merging of Services

Addressed under Good and Welfare

Meeting Adjourned: Motion made Al Gerew. Seconded by Dave Marcotte.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m. Motion Passed 5-0.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, August 14, 2012 at 6:30 p.m., Burrillville Parks & Recreation Office, 92 North Main St, Pascoag, RI 02859

Recorded by

Kevin Mazarella, Secretary

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