

# Town of Tiverton

## Recreation and Beach Commission

### MEETING MINUTES

**Organization:** Recreation and Beach Commission

**Date and Time:** Tuesday, May 17, 2016 @ 6:00 p.m.

**Location:** Tiverton Public Library, Tiverton, RI 02878

**Meeting called to order** at 6:12 p.m.

**Members in attendance:** John Cordeiro, Chris Roemlein, Edward Sevigny, Joseph Perry, Karen Midolo

**Members Absent:** ---

**Public Delegations:** ---

**Public Announcements:** ---

#### **Item #1: Approve May 3, 2016 Meeting Minutes**

John distributed the minutes from May 3<sup>rd</sup>'s meeting.

*\*A motion was made to accept May 3<sup>rd</sup>'s meeting minutes by JP. ES seconded the motion. It was unanimously approved.*

*Motion Approved: FOR: JC, CR, ES, JP, KM*

*AGAINST: N/A.*

*ABSTAIN: N/A*

#### **Item #2: Treasurer's Report – John Cordeiro**

John picked up invoices that were at the Town Hall waiting to be paid. He will review and submit them for payment.

#### **Item #3: OLD BUSINESS**

##### **A) Recreation Summer Camps – All**

- John reviewed with the group the summer programs we are offering this year. He has been in contact with ITZ Baseball. They offered us two different weeks to choose from. John asked them if we could try to fill both weeks and they said yes. Ryan Westmoreland will be there. All other vendors except Beach Dogs Lacrosse have confirmed their participation. John has been playing phone tag with Beach Dogs. The vendor who completed the Babysitting Certification Class last year is also conducting a Home Alone Class. This is the first time we are offering this class. Chris thought that because no new vendors were added, we could proceed with the summer programs without the Town Council's approval. Next year John would like to work with Envy Gymnastics to add a gymnastics program.

- The Tiverton Parks Program will be open to kids 6 – 12. However, 13 year olds that have attended the program previous years and not caused trouble will be allowed to participate again with Sandy's approval. We will not write that on the pamphlet as it will cause confusion.

*\*A motion was made to allow 13 year olds to attend the Parks Program with the Camp Director's approval by JP. CR seconded the motion. It was unanimously approved.*

*Motion Approved: FOR: JC, CR, ES, JP, KM*

*AGAINST: N/A.*

*ABSTAIN: N/A*

## **B) Summer Employees – All**

- John called all previous summer employees and encouraged them to reapply. So far 6 applications have been received. The Personnel Board said that new applicants should go through them. Previous employees can go to Matt directly to be rehired. Matt has asked that a member of the Recreation Commission be at the interviews. He will let us know when they are scheduled for. Sandy DaSilva has not yet applied to run the Parks Program. Adam, last year's Head Lifeguard, has already reapplied. Applications will be dropped off at the high school on May 18<sup>th</sup>.
- A Recreation Direction has not yet been hired. The position has not been posted yet. Someone will need to run the beaches - collect money at the end of the day, make deposits, check the weather and close the beaches on rainy days, and make lifeguard and gate attendant schedules. John and Chris thought that the Head Lifeguard could handle these responsibilities in lieu of a Recreation Coordinator. John will look for staff schedule from last year.
- Beach hours and fees were discussed. Last year the price at Grinnell's Beach was raised by \$5 and attendance significantly dropped. We ended up losing money there.

*\*A motion was made for the hours at Grinnell's Beach to be 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. and Fogland Beach to be 10a.m. – 4 p.m. by CR. JP seconded the motion. It was unanimously approved.*

*Motion Approved: FOR: JC, CR, ES, JP, KM*

*AGAINST: N/A.*

*ABSTAIN: N/A.*

*\*A motion was made for the cost of Grinnell's Beach to be reduced by \$5 -- \$5 on weekdays & \$10 on weekends (RV rate will remain \$25) by CR. ES seconded the motion. It was unanimously approved.*

*Motion Approved: FOR: JC, CR, ES, JP, KM*

*AGAINST: N/A.*

*ABSTAIN: N/A.*

*\*A motion was made for the cost of Fogland Beach to remain the same -- \$10 on weekdays & \$15 on weekends (RV rate will also remain \$25) by CR. ES seconded the motion. It was unanimously approved.*

*Motion Approved: FOR: JC, CR, ES, JP, KM*

*AGAINST: N/A.*

*ABSTAIN: N/A.*

## **C) Beach Stickers - All**

- Joe presented the estimate from Paul's Printing for the resident & non-resident beach stickers. Last year stickers weren't used, just the log book. However, there was theft at the Little Compton beach and the stickers help us audit to prevent theft. To save money, John will ask the Council to allow residents to use dump stickers. We will ask beach goers to leave stickers on the dashboard. Ed will ask the Lieutenant to police the area on occasion. We will ask the town to conduct periodic audits to

ensure compliance. The log book, the number of stickers, and money collected should all match. The log book will include license plate numbers.

- Joe will ask Paul to print the stickers. There will be one sticker for Grinnell's and one for Fogland. We will print stickers 1 – 999 for each beach. The rates will be included on the stickers. Grinnell's stickers will be liftoff lemon. Fogland's sticker will be celestial blue.

*\*A motion was made for the gate attendants to circle the applicable rate (weekday, weekend, RV) on the sticker by ES. JP seconded the motion. It was unanimously approved.*

*Motion Approved: FOR: JC, CR, ES, JP, KM*

*AGAINST: N/A.*

*ABSTAIN: N/A.*

### **C) Nominate & Vote For Treasurer – All**

*\*A motion was made to delay appointing a Treasurer until the next meeting by JP. CR seconded the motion. It was unanimously approved.*

*Motion Approved: FOR: JC, CR, ES, JP, KM*

*AGAINST: N/A.*

*ABSTAIN: N/A.*

### **Item #4: NEW BUSINESS – All**

#### **A) Beach Supervisor vs Recreation Coordinator – All**

Discussed during Item #3 (B).

*\*A motion was made to consider the head lifeguards as beach coordinators until a Recreation Director is hired by CR. JP seconded the motion. It was unanimously approved.*

*Motion Approved: FOR: JC, CR, ES, JP, KM*

*AGAINST: N/A.*

*ABSTAIN: N/A.*

#### **B) Parks Program Supply Allowance - All**

- John and Chris both reached out to Susan Gill to see if she knew where any supplies may be. They have not heard back. Pepsi may be donating healthy snacks and beverages to the program. They need a letter on letterhead explaining what the donation will be used for. Karen will write it and send to Susan Reed at Pepsi.

*\*A motion was made to use \$500 for supplies for the Park Program by CR. ES seconded the motion. It was unanimously approved.*

*Motion Approved: FOR: JC, CR, ES, JP, KM*

*AGAINST: N/A.*

*ABSTAIN: N/A.*

- Joe thought that it was unfair to Tiverton residents that the non-resident price was only \$50 more than the resident price.

*\*A motion was made to raise the non-resident price of the Parks Program to \$200/child by JP. ES seconded the motion. It was unanimously approved.*

*Motion Approved: FOR: JC, CR, ES, JP, KM*

*AGAINST: N/A.*

*ABSTAIN: N/A.*

**C) School Use Requests Update – All**

John will submit Facility Use Requests for the venues where the summer programs are being held. At a later date we will vote on THS and Pocasset contacts.

**D) Youth/Adult Organization Liaisons – All**

*\*A motion was made to assign John as the contact for the youth soccer league, Chris as the contact for the little league baseball and softball leagues, Ed as the contact for the pop warner football league, and Joe as the contact for the men’s softball groups by JC. ES seconded the motion. It was unanimously approved.*

*Motion Approved: FOR: JC, CR, ES, JP, KM*

*AGAINST: N/A.*

*ABSTAIN: N/A.*

**E) Restricted Recreation & Beach Commission Maintenance Accounts**

Right now, any fees received for field use are deposited into the Town’s general fund. John suggested that we add a referendum to the ballot to keep those funds in an account for Recreation’s use – maintenance of the fields, etc. It is too late to add anything to this year’s ballot. It will be something to work on next year.

**Item #5: Next Scheduled Meeting & Adjournment**

The next meeting will be as scheduled – June 14<sup>th</sup> at 6 p.m. at the Tiverton Library.

*\*A motion to adjourn was made at 8:00 p.m. by JC. KM seconded the motion. It was unanimously approved.*

*FOR: JC, CR, ES, JP, KM*

*AGAINST: N/A.*

*ABSTAIN: N/A.*

Submitted by: Karen Midolo

Approval Date: