

**Stonington Recreation Commission
Regular Meeting
Monday, November 24, 2014 at 6:00 PM
Human Services Community Room**

Present: Chairman C. Michael Crowley and Vice-Chair Frank Prachniak
Commissioners Joe Ciriello, Jennifer Norcross, Beth Quesnel &
Larry Theadore
Recreation Administrator Richard Ward
Human Services Manager Leanne Theodore
Absent: Commissioner Joe McKernan

I. Publics' Opportunity to Address the Commission
Chair Crowley welcomed & introduced Recreation Administrator Richard Ward.

II. Secretary's Report
A motion was made by Commissioner Ciriello to approve the Secretary's Report. Motion seconded by Commissioner Quesnel, all in favor, motion approved.

III. Budget Report

- a. General Fund
- b. Special Activity

Commissioner Ciriello stated that he heard that fees were not collected for the Men's Basketball program last season.

Human Services Manager stated that this was just brought to her attention as well by one of last season's participants; apparently there was an arrangement made that she was not aware of whereby basketball fees were waived if the participant was also taking part in the Volleyball program. Ms. Theodore stated that this was an agreement made by the former Recreation Administrator without her knowledge.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ciriello to approve the Budget Reports. Motion seconded by Commissioner Prachniak, all in favor, motion approved.

IV. Communications

V. Programming

Adult:

- a. Baby Boomers Senior Exercise
- b. Zumba Fitness

Human Services Manager Leanne Theodore stated that there is a concern that the program is being duplicated at the Como based on an email she received; she will be discussing the matter with Executive Director Beth-Ann Stewart.

- c. Co-Ed Volleyball League
 - Equipment issues corrected
 - Competitive vs. Recreational Leagues
 - Injury occurred; discussion regarding constructing policy/procedure to follow when injuries occur
- d. Men's Open Gym Basketball

Youth:

- a. Boys / Girls Basketball Clinics
- b. Boys / Girls High School Soccer Clinic
- c. Middle School Futsal
- d. Soccer Programs for Grades 3-5

VI. Recreation Administrator's Report

VII. Other Business

- a. Children's Holiday Party (sponsored by Human Services and SPD)
- b. NYC Trip December 5th
- c. 2015 Meeting Schedule
 - A motion was made by Commissioner Prachniak to approve the 2015 Meeting Schedule as presented, with meetings occurring on the last Monday of every month, with the exception of May (when the meeting will occur on the last Tuesday due to the Memorial Day holiday), and July, August & December, when meetings do not take place. Motion seconded by Commissioner Quesnel, all in favor, motion approved.

VIII. Chairman's Comments

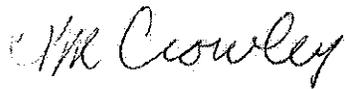
Chair Crowley provided an update on the fields

- Multipurpose field under litigation; will need to be sent back out to bid to be redone
- Softball field infield dirt needs to be changed. Chair Crowley stated that he spoke to Public Works Director Barbara McKrell, and she will focus on the multipurpose field, softball field & lower field by the west pavilion. Once roads are completed Public Works may be able to assist with Recreation projects.
- Major projects need to be budgeted.
 - Commissioner Ciriello would like to continue looking into walking trails by the pavilion; project was looked into but fell by the wayside.
 - Commissioner Quesnel asked about handicapped walkways by the lower soccer & field hockey fields. Chair Crowley stated that Public Works Director Barbara McKrell will look into what the State requires.

IX. Meeting Adjourned

A motion was made by Commissioner Theadore to adjourn. Motion seconded by Commissioner Quesnel, all in favor, motion approved. Meeting adjourned at 7:01PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "C. Michael Crowley".

C. Michael Crowley, Chairman