

Board of Park Commissioners
Wednesday, March 18, 2020
First Floor Meeting Room, 6:00 p.m.
Meeting Minutes

Present: Mayor Ellen Zoppo-Sassu
Commissioner Robert Fiorito
Commissioner Cynthia Donovan
Commissioner Sandra Bogdanski
Commissioner Paula O'Keefe
Superintendent Dr. Joshua Medeiros
Commissioner Robert Kalat
Council Liaison, Scott Rosado

Absent: Commissioner Malcolm Huckaby

1) Call to Order

Chairwomen Zoppo-Sassu called the meeting at 6:10 p.m.

2) Acceptance of meeting minutes from February 19, 2020

MOTION: Made by Commissioner Fiorito to approve the February 19, 2020 minutes.

Seconded by: Commissioner Bogdanski

All in favor; Motion carried.

3) Public Participation

Joe Matukaitis approached the Board to inquire about the potential for an indoor skating rink in Bristol in the future. Mr. Matukaitis was informed about the up-coming Master Planning process in which this would be concerned.

4) Employee Recognition

A. Stephen Bynum, Youth and Community Services Supervisor for his work on the 51 High Street reconfiguration.

B. Lisa Wilson, Park Office Coordinator for her time with the department as she moves onto the Fire Department.

5) Superintendent's Report

A. Superintendent's Report for March 2020

Dr. Medeiros presented the Superintendent's report.

B. March Financials 2020

MOTION: Made by Commissioner Fiorito to accept the report and place on file.
Seconded by: Commissioner Bogdanski
All in favor; Motion carried.

6) Old Business

A. By Commissioners:

Commissioner Donovan inquired about the status of the Green Team clean up at the end of March and was informed that a decision would be made the following week.

7) New Business

A. Discussion from Site Visit to Page Park Pool

B. Approve a Fundraising Grand Opening Gala at Page Pool Event.

MOTION: Made by Commissioner Fiorito to approve the wine event grand opening on a date to be determined.
Seconded by: Commissioner Bogdanski
All in favor; Motion passed.

B. Emergency Preparedness Updates

C. Approve closure of the Veterans Memorial Boulevard on May 21st, 2020 (May 22nd, 2020 rain date) from 7:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. for the annual "A Tribute To Veterans Program"

MOTION: Made by Commissioner Fiorito to approve the closure of the Veterans Memorial Boulevard on May 21st, 2020 (May 22nd, 2020 rain date) from 7:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. for the annual "A Tribute to Veterans Program"
Seconded by: Commissioner Bogdanski
All in favor; Motion passed.

D. Consider a proposal from Craig Yarde for electronic sign donation out front of Muzzy Field, 7-8 park benches and a long term sculpture proposal for Muzzy Field Tree.

MOTION: Made by Commissioner Fiorito to refer this matter to the Building and Maintenance Committee.
Seconded by: Commissioner Bogdanski
All in favor; Motion passed.

E. Establishment of a bus turn around/parking space for Pine Lake

F. By Commissioners:

Chairwoman Zoppo-Sassu apprised the Board about the referral of the Shaffrick Property, bordering the Roberts Property, from the Real Estate Committee to the Planning and Zoning Commission and the Inland Wetland Commission, as a potential property acquisition in the future.

8) Committee Reports:

A. Events Committee

No report the next meeting will be in the fall.

B. Building & Maintenance Committee

No report.

C. Budget & Finance Committee

i. Bristol Blues Contract

MOTION: Made by Commissioner Fiorito to approve the reduction of the Bristol Blues Annual Lease for the next three years by \$8,528.76, as well as the addition of an assessment of \$750 per game that is in addition to the 22 game schedule that is being proposed, contingent on the fact that the Bristol Blues pay the 2019 outstanding invoice totaling \$1,675.

Seconded by: Commissioner Bogdanski

All in favor; Motion passed

MOTION: Made by Commissioner Fiorito to deny the reduction of the concession fee.

Seconded by: Commissioner Bogdanski

All in favor; Motion passed

ii. Non-Resident Rates For Page And Rockwell Pool

MOTION: Made by Commissioner Fiorito approve the reduction of non-resident fees for Page and Rockwell Pool.

Seconded by: Commissioner Donovan

All in favor; Motion passed

D. City Council Liaison Updates

Liaison Rosado apprised the Board that the renaming of a portion of East Street to Wozenski Way has been referred to City Council, which holds the sole authority to re-name a street, and will be discussed September.

9) Other Business

No other business.

10) Adjourn

MOTION: Made by Commissioner Fiorito to adjourn at 7:48 p.m.

Seconded by: Commissioner Bogdanski

All in favor; Motion passed

Respectfully submitted,

Robin Klug, Recording Secretary
Board of Parks Commissioners