

1) Call to Order

- a. Chairwomen Zoppo-Sassu called the meeting at 6:01 p.m.

2) Attendance

Present: Mayor Ellen Zoppo-Sassu, Chairwoman
Sandra Bogdanski, Commissioner
Cynthia Donovan, Commissioner
Robert Fiorito, Vice Chair
Malcolm Huckaby, Commissioner
Robin Klug, Recording Secretary
Paula O'Keefe, Commissioner
Dr. Joshua Medeiros, Superintendent
Scott Rosado, Council Liaison
Amry Shelby, Recreation Supervisor

Absent: Robert Kalat, Commissioner

3) Acceptance of meeting minutes

- a. **MOTION:** Made by Commissioner Fiorito to accept the July 15, 2020 meeting minutes.
Seconded by: Commissioner Donovan, all in favor; motion carried.

4) Public Participation

- a. Paul Adorno representing Trilogy Challenge presented is request for a disc golf event to be held at Page Park. Discussion followed.
MOTION: Made by Commissioner Fiorito, the Parks Board of Commissioners accepted the Trilogy Challenge proposal at the direction of the Superintendent
Seconded by: Commissioner Donovan, all in favor; motion carried
- b. At their request, Robotics Club team members presented their project to fabricate and install permanent phone holders for photo taking at Hoppers-Birge Pond Boardwalk as part of Public Participation. Discussion followed.
MOTION: Made by Commissioner Fiorito to conceptually approve the Robotics Club's proposal and refer them to the Hoppers-Birge Pond Committee, Board of Education and pending approval move forward at the direction of the Superintendent.
Seconded by: Commissioner Donovan, all in favor; motion carried

5) Employee Recognition

- a. Amry Shelby, Recreation Supervisor was introduced, welcomed and addressed the Commission.
- b. Superintendent Medeiros acknowledged Doug Trillo for his leadership and flexibility. Doug and the Parks Maintainers did a phenomenal job mitigating the damage caused by Tropical Storm Isaias and were commended for going above and beyond in also working across departments to open roads.

6) Superintendent's Report

- a. Superintendent Medeiros reported: the Mayor's Pencil Hunt will take place August 22, 2020 with both in person and drive up options. Social distancing being maintained by controlled group size and staggered times by age group. There will be an event held at Brackett Park in recognition of International Opioid Overdose Awareness Day, discussion followed.
MOTION: Made by Commissioner Fiorito to accept and place the Superintendent's Report on file.
Seconded by: Commissioner Donovan, all in favor; motion carried.
- b. YTD Department Financials
MOTION: Made by Commissioner Fiorito to accept the June and July YTD Department Financials and place on file.
Seconded by: Commissioner Bogdanski, all in favor; motion carried.

7) Old Business

- a. **MOTION:** Made by Commissioner Fiorito, the Park users' fee schedules was referred Budget & Finance Committee for review.
Seconded by: Commissioner Donovan, all in favor; motion carried
- b. There was no action taken regarding the Muzzy Field Renovation.
- c. There was no action taken regarding the Page Pool Project and budget.
- d. By Commissioners:
 - i. Commission Donovan requested an update on the Eagle Scout Sign Project at Rockwell Park. Discussion followed.
 - ii. The issue of river damming went before the Police Commission and was referred to the Budget and Finance Committee.

8) New Business

- a. Superintendent Medeiros reported the Bristol Parks, Recreation, Youth and Community Services Department is awaiting a response the application for a NRPA Play & Youth Sports Grant to establish a bike pump park and gear shop at Rockwell Park.
- b. There was no new business brought forth by Commissioners.

9) Committee Reports:

- a. Events Committee: No report.
- b. Building & Maintenance Committee: No report.
- c. Budget & Finance Committee: No report.
- d. City Council Liaison: No report.

10) Other Business

- a. There was no other business brought forward by Commissioners.

10) Adjourn

- a. **MOTION:** Made by Commissioner Fiorito to adjourn at 7:43 p.m.
Seconded by: Commissioner O'Keefe, all in favor; motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,
Robin Klug, Recording Secretary
Board of Parks Commissioners