

PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING, September 29, 2010'

the meeting was called to order by chairman, Meghan O'Connor at 7:32 P.M. In attendance were Angelo Franzese, Steve Poole Pat Morton, Gary Regan, Lou Valenti, Bill Pullan, Rachel McGrath and Eileen Earle.

Mimutes were accepted on a motion by Steve Poole, seconded by Gary Regan, unanimously approved by all members present.

There was not public comment.

The agenda was moved on a motion by Pat Morton, seconded by Gary regan, unanimously approved by all members present. Next item would be programs..

All former programs are compete and those in progress are doing well. Unfortunately we lost our old Yoga instructor and have a new one in place for the winter programs. The following are in progress: Body by Bethel; Ballet & Dance; Art Classes; Pre-school classes; zumba; karate; Over 40 Basketball; Baseball; Soaftball; Soccer; Travel Basketball; Volleyball for Kids & ADULTS.

The following programs are being planned: Basketball-Intown; Christmas show; H.S. Basketball League; and the Winter Flyer presenting future programs. Casches have applied for the openings in 5-6 grade level and other tryouts will be completed on Oct. 2.

On a motion by Gary Regan, seconded by Lou Valenti, unanimously approved by all members present, the agenda was returned .

A letter of request was received from a resident, Carly Parenti, requesting use of Berry Field for tryouts for women interested in playing football, This will be a one day use of the field and personal insurance was requested as they represent the NE Nitro, The planned date is 10/23, from 2-4 P.M. Their cost will be \$25.00 for the day. The board approved this one shot event.

A leeter was received by selectman Paul Szatkoweki concerning field use as allocated by Park & recreation Department. This was brought up at a selectmen's meeting and the person who contacted Mr. S. did not work through requested channels and go to P&R with this statement of partiality. The Commission chairman will reply by letter to the Selectman, reiterating our policy for field use and the steps that are taken to see that all are honored.

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Ms. Earle will post in a convenient place, the projected use of fields for the year in December so that all can see the plan.

The proposed practice field for temporary use, was presented at a Public Meeting. Approximately 20 policemen in full uniform were present at the meeting and presented their displeasure by indicating that this land was Police Dept. ownership and they did not want the field where it was placed. The level area next to Judd Road would require almost no leveling for use. They indicated it was a hazard since parents would park on Judd and wait for kids as well as drop them off. Another location was proposed on the property and indications for increased cost would prohibit. As a result the field hope must be abandoned and plans made for another location, if possible. A new field will be put in our plans for Capital needs.

Once again the Kowalski property was mentioned and plans will be made for survey and possible field location. This request will be included in our Plan of Development (capital Plan), which has been changed as follows:

Tennie Courts at High School	2010
Survey of Kowalski Property	2011
and All purpose practice field	
fence at Parloa	2010
Irrigation at Johnson/Berry fields	2011-12
Replace fence at Parks	2012
New showers/Rest Rooms at H.S. field	2013
Softball field lights/Johnson	2014
Rest Rooms, showers Hurgin Center	2014

Costs change from year to year, but this is a hopeful list of some items that might be included in the budget and possible help from some of the Athletic Associations in town.

A new fee schedule will be set for rental of fields: \$75.00 for each day game, \$100.00 for night game; Non-residents \$125/150.

The summer events of leagues and other summer leagues are a drain on money and manpower and this year required paid maintenance for 43 days at Mitchell Park. A new arrangement must be made and will be worked on by Ms. Earle and the Associations. More later

The new track is on schedule and the football field will be a well lighted presence for the first home game on November 5. AND EVEN THE ELEVATOR WILL BE READY!

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned on a motion by Lou Valenti, seconded by Steve Poole, Unanimously Approved.
Next meeting, October 27, 2010, 7:30 P.M.

*Respectfully submitted,
Liz Narell, Recording Secretary*