

MINUTES OF THE CHESHIRE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION  
MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4, 2015 AT 7:00 P.M  
AT THE YOUTH CENTER, CHESHIRE, CONNECTICUT

Present: Jim Nankin, Chairman, Patrick Duffy, Paul Fracasse, Mike O'Donnell, Dan Nowak, and Karen Bertoni

Staff Absent: Bob Ceccolini

Council Present: Peter Talbot

**CALL TO ORDER**

Jim Nankin, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Commission Pledged Allegiance to the Flag.

Mr. Nankin informed the Commission that Bob Ceccolini is absent tonight because his father-in-law passed away.

Staff was going to come tonight and give reports but for various reasons no one could attend tonight's meeting.

He said the guys have been doing alot of plowing and it has been a tough month.

**MINUTES OF THE JANUARY MEETING**

MOTION: Mr. O'Donnell made a motion to accept the January, 2015 minutes.

MOVED: Mr. Nowak seconded the motion.

The Clerk made a change to the January minutes. It is stated in the January meeting that Kevin Fitzsimmons was present, it should read Kevin Simmons.

VOTE: The motion passed four to one, one abstention from Mr. O'Donnell.

*At 7:05 P.M. Ms. Bertoni arrived.*

## **COUNCIL LIAISON**

Mr. Talbot informed the Commission that they have the town operating budget next Tuesday at the Council's meeting. He said the education budget would be the one most scrutinized.

Mr. O'Donnell asked if there has been any request for a full-time maintainer at the pool. Mr. Nankin replied he is not sure if that was put back in or if it would be because the opening for the facility isn't until September.

Mr. Nankin questioned if the pool is moving in the right direction now? Mr. Talbot replied yes.

Mr. Talbot said there was a discussion at the Energy Commission meeting and they are not happy with the air exchange rate from 3.5 to 1.

Mr. O'Donnell questioned if what they have passed with the state ordinances. Mr. Talbot replied yes. Mr. Talbot added the contingency is still 70.

## **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

### Communications

Mr. Nankin said he did not have any communications to share with the Commission tonight.

### Pool Discussion

Mr. Nankin said this was covered earlier in the meeting. There isn't anything to add.

## **BEAUTIFICATION COMMISSION**

Mr. O'Donnell said the meeting was cancelled this morning and would continue next week.

## **DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

### Dog Park

Mr. Nankin said the dog park is always crowded.

Mr. Duffy wondered if any dogs could get stuck in the snow and asked if anything is put down to prevent anything like that. Mr. Nankin replied nothing is put down but the frequent use of the dogs and the owners pack down the snow and create paths to get into the dog park.

Parks Update

Mr. Nankin informed the Commission that all camps have been moved from Bartlem to Mixville Park. He said he is concerned about a child wandering off. He referred to Bob and Elizabeth and they are not concerned because there are so many counselors. He said all passes would be purchased here at P&R.

Budget Update

Mr. Nankin said there is nothing new to report; it is in the hands of the Council.

**COMMISSIONER'S FORUM**

Mr. Nowak asked if the electric sign to be installed out front if it has been delayed due to the winter storms. Mr. Nankin replied as far as he knows it is still on schedule.

Mr. Duffy expressed his condolences for Bob Ceccolini and his family and he is glad Jim Nankin is feeling better.

Mr. O'Donnell shared his sympathy for Bob Ceccolini and thanked Karen Bertoni for the dessert.

Mr. Fracasse said he hopes everyone stays well.

Mr. Nankin expressed his condolences to Bob and his family.

**ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION: Mr. Duffy made a motion to adjourn.

MOVED: Mr. O'Donnell seconded the motion.

VOTE: The motion was passed unanimously by those present. The meeting adjourned at 7:35 P.M.

Attest:

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Claudia J. Baron, Clerk  
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