

**TOWN OF STRATFORD
BOOTHE MEMORIAL PARK COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES**

MARCH 24, 2015

The Boothe Memorial Park Commission of the Town of Stratford conducted a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, March 24, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. in the Employee Lounge on the lower level of Stratford Town Hall, 2725 Main Street, Stratford CT, pursuant to notice duly given and posted.

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m.

Presiding: Chairman Stephanie Philips

Commissioners in Attendance: B. Burton, P. DeVitto, F. Kecko

Commissioners Absent: J. Brazzell, R. Brown, D. Caserta, J. Connor, J. Malloy, A. Scala, S. Voccola,

Others in Attendance: P. Patusky (Recreation Dept.), A. Minton (Friends of Boothe)

Chairman Philips opened the meeting and declared a quorum was present.

- **Approval of Minutes:** The Minutes of the 9/23/14 Regular Meeting were approved and accepted on a motion by P. DeVitto, seconded by F. Kecko and passed unanimously. The Minutes of the 2/24/15 Regular Meeting were corrected as follows: **Item 5a. Stratford Rotary Club** – they are not changing their present meeting location to Boothe Park. Chairman Philips had proposed inviting them to hold their upcoming June meeting at Boothe Park (they would have their lunch and take a tour of the Park). There being no further discussion, the correction was noted and a motion to accept and approve was made by P. DeVitto, seconded by F. Kecko and passed unanimously.
- **Financial Report:** Chairman Philips distributed copies of the (a) Pumpkin Festival Profit & Loss report which showed a Net Income of \$8411.21 (after factoring in the Town Council Budget Allocation of \$6200), and (b) Recreation Department Facility Fees Report for 2014. Chairman Philips also reported that the Recreation Department was extensively involved again this year in the Pumpkin Festival with volunteers, games and other activities at no expense to the Commission's budget. Chairman Philips proposed contributing \$1,000 toward the Recreation Department's annual Summer Carnival which takes place at Boothe Park. After brief discussion a motion to accept and approve the proposed contribution was made by B. Burton, seconded by P. DeVitto and passed unanimously. F. Kecko reported on the recent installation of benches in the Rose Garden, and the need for repairs and supplies. After brief discussion a motion to accept and approve a proposed contribution of \$500 toward upcoming repairs and supplies for the Rose Garden was made by B. Burton, seconded by P. DeVitto and passed unanimously. There being no further items to discuss, a motion to accept and approve the Financial Report was made by P. DeVitto, seconded by F. Kecko and passed unanimously.
- **Volunteers' Reports:**
 - a. **BMRS** - P. DeVitto reported that they recently delivered and installed the model train layout at the Shelton home of an autistic teen –he was very excited to have it in his new "Train Room". The article & photos of the Train Museum will be published in the July issue of "Classis Toy Trains". BMRS will be at the Main Street Festival again this year in June, and will also participate in the Boothe Park Opening Day on

5/17. He also reported that the Train Museum building still needs new windows, and he will obtain quotes for purchase and installation.

- b. **BMAS** - no report at this time.
 - c. **Rose Garden** - F. Kecko previously reported and discussed during the Financial Report above.
 - d. **Friends of Boothe** - B. Burton and Ann Minton reported that they are working on plans and events for Opening Day on 5/17 (Stratford Community Band, Car Show and Art Show); work continues on a book about Boothe Park and the genealogy program.
 - e. **Student Volunteers** - no report at this time.
- **Pending/Continuing Business:**
 - a. **Spring Social/Open House for Town Officials** - new date and plans are on hold; tabled to next meeting.
 - **New Business:** No report at this time.
 - **Adjournment:** There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:46 p.m. on a motion by P. DeVitto, seconded by F. Kecko and passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Debbie Gallo, Recording Secretary