

MINUTES OF MEETING

Longbrook Park Commission

July 22, 2015

The Longbrook Park Commission conducted a regularly scheduled meeting on Wednesday, July 22, 2015 in room 213 of Stratford Town Hall, 2725 Main Street, Stratford, CT pursuant to notice duly posted.

1. CALL TO ORDER: 7:02 p.m.

PRESIDING: Chairman Matthew Catalano

COMMISSION MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Council members Matthew Catalano and Gavin Forrester, electorate members Jon Merriam and Roger Salls.

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: Resident/Guests: Tom Galatie, 492 King Street; Jennifer Cummings, 3720 Main St.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - regularly scheduled meeting of June 24, 2015. — A MOTION WAS MADE BY MR. FORRESTER, SECONDED BY MR. SALLS TO APPROVE THE FOREGOING MINUTES. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

3. OLD BUSINESS — The following issues were discussed:

- The remainder of funds designated for masonry work.
- Procuring a Landscape Architect for Park Beautification. On-going services and low park maintenance is the priority. Broken limbs and branches still exist from storm Irene.
- Planting of daffodils – the Town Flower.
- Environmental Champion Grant of \$1,000.00 is available and awarded by Aquarian.
- The storage building- old field house.

The new Environmental Conservation Administrator will be asked to attend a meeting of this committee regarding the above-mentioned issues.

4. NEW BUSINESS

a. Penders field issues — a.k.a. Field abuse.

Bike riders have been observed using the field – the activity is not allowed on the field. Youth have been disturbing games that are in progress, nets and scoreboard are being destroyed, garbage (plastic cans and bottles) are scattered on the field, garbage cans need to be picked up.

Mr. Galatie expressed his concerns and observations during the occasions that he coaches ball teams at the field in connection with the abuse. Mr. Catalano will notify Director of Public works and the Police department.

b. Penders memorial — Mr. Catalano described the plaque that will be affixed to the memorial.

Ms. Cummings expressed thanks for the new splash pad and said it is more popular than the wading pool. She also requested a handicapped or stroller access near the splash pad and shading over the play area and splash pad as a future long-term planning item.

5. ADJOURNMENT – Hearing no other business, Mr. Catalano called for a motion to adjourn at 7:40 p.m. A MOTION WAS MADE BY MR. MERRIAM, SECONDED BY MR. SALLS AND VOTED UNANIMOUSLY TO ADJOURN.

Respectfully submitted, Carol Cabral - Secretary