

Minutes of Short Beach Commission meeting

October 5, 2015

The Stratford Short Beach Commission held a regularly scheduled meeting as duly posted on Monday October 5, 2015 in Room 213 of Stratford Town Hall, Stratford, CT

I. **Call to Order:** In the absence of Chairman Massey, Councilman Santi called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Members Present: Councilman J. Santi, Electorate members S. Barksdale, K. Daden, R. Barry, R. Jaekle, P. Pulaski

Others Present: B. Szymanski, R. Fraioli, C. Esposito

Members Absent: Councilmen Massey

II. **Approval of Minutes:** Ms. Daden made a motion to approve the minutes of August 3, 2015. The motion was seconded by Mr. Barksdale and carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Barksdale to waive the rules to hear from Ryan Burlone, Stratford Little League. The motion was seconded by Mr. Barry. The motion carried unanimously. Mr. Burlone discussed the need for a batting cage at the Short Beach Complex. He submitted a plot plan to the members with two (2) possible locations for the cage. Mr. Esposito noted that the first location was close to the sprinkler system which runs through the middle of the field. Mr. Burlone noted funding is available through the Little League for this project. Commissioners discussed contamination and size of structure. **Ms. Daden made a motion to send proposal for site #2 to the Town Council with a favorable recommendation. The motion was seconded by Mr. Barry. The motion carried unanimously.**

III. **Complex Superintendent Report:** Mr. Esposito distributed and reviewed "Revenue Comparison Report". Noted rounds are down but resident and senior rounds are up dramatically. Discussed revenue incurred by Town vs. Enterprise Zone revenues. Reviewed July, August and September revenue report. Commissioners discussed lowering out-of-town rate for fall. **Ms. Daden made a motion to send to the Town Council with a favorable recommendation lowering**

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non-resident rates on weekdays to \$16 and on weekends to \$18 for fall. The motion was seconded by Mr. Barry. The motion carried unanimously.

IV. **Golf Course Sub-Committee Report:**

A. Course Superintendent – Mr. Esposito is working with architect to write an RFP for the irrigation system.

B. Restaurant – In progress – vendor approved.

V. **Golf Pro Report:** — Mr. Fraioli discussed the no-show policy for reservations. Noted would need up-grade for computer system to require deposit upon reservation.

VI. **Beach Sub-Committee Report:** Ms. Daden discussed feasibility of solar power at Short Beach. She has also had feedback from residents on the bocci ball courts – Great but no benches, no shade and no signage.

Mr. Jaekle distributed and reviewed “2016 Memorial Day Weekend Summer Kick-off” proposal. Commissioners discussed up-coming events for the next season. Commissioners discussed conditions and restrictions for the next car show. **Mr. Barksdale made a motion to adopt Memorial Day events. The motion was seconded by Ms. Daden. The motion carried unanimously.**

VII. **Strategic Planning Sub-Committee Report:** Mr. Barksdale distributed and reviewed draft of “Short Beach Commission Strategic Plan FY 2017”. He referred to schedules and noted starts in 2016 but there is more focus on 2017. Councilman Santi proposed to finalize this plan next meeting.

VIII. **Other Business** —

1) Fee Waivers —

a. Narcotics Anonymous – Ms. Daden made a motion to strike this item from the agenda. **The motion was seconded by Mr. Jaekle. The motion carried unanimously.**

b. Discussion of contract for Golf Pro –Councilman Santi noted this item will be discussed in Executive Session at the next meeting.

IX. **Adjournment** — There being no further items to discuss, Councilman Santi entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting. A motion was made by Ms. Daden and seconded by Mr. Jaekle. The meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

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Respectfully Submitted,

Gail De Cilio