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Orange Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting

Town Hall Meeting Room– 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, April 25, 2018

Approved

ATTENDANCE

Commissioners Present: Chairman Joseph Lembo, James Ronai, James O'Connor, Dave Corris, Stephen Bospuda, and Chuck Stackpole

Commissioners Absent: Linda Kantor

Staff: Dan Lynch, Director of Parks and Recreation; Deborah Satonick, Recording Secretary

1. CALL TO ORDER

- Chairman Lembo called the meeting to order at 7:38 p.m. He asked the members to introduce themselves and to remember to turn their microphones on when speaking.

2. PUBLIC DIALOGUE

- There was no public dialogue at this time.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – MARCH 28, 2018

Mr. O'Connor made a motion to approve the March twenty-eight, 2018 Orange Parks and Recreation Commission meeting minutes. Mr. Corris seconded the motion and all were in favor. The motion PASSED.

4. OLD BUSINESS

A. Questions from Previous Meeting

- Mr. Lynch advised that he would be adding the zero-turn lawn mowers into next year's budget as well as the 2019-2020 Ad Hoc Capital requests. He intends to ask for the support of the Orange Board of Education in petitioning for the mowers, as the Town cuts the lawns on the school property.

- Mr. Lynch spoke on the field use request from Mr. Goodwin, advising that Brinley Field may be ready in time to host the Amity Senior Night Varsity Baseball Game. Mr. Lynch also contacted the Orange Police Department, who agreed to install a police blockade should violators be using the fields prior to them being officially opened. They will also have extra patrols driving through the complex to check on the fields. While the clay in the pitcher's mound is ready, the Commission members agreed that the fields need time to rest to allow the sod to become well established.
- Mr. Ronai inquired about getting a volunteer intern from the University of Connecticut this summer, but Mr. Zeoli had indicated that the request for an intern must be made one year in advance.

5. NEW BUSINESS

A. Doc's Race, Special Tribute Approval – Joseph Riccio, Race Director

- The sixth annual Doc's Race has been scheduled for June twenty-fourth, 2018. As this will be the final race held, the Race Committee would like to pay special tribute to Doc Whitney, and is seeking approval of the Parks and Recreation Commission.

*Mr. Ronai made a motion to approve Doc's Race for June twenty-fourth, 2018, with a special tribute given to Doc Whitney. Mr. Stackpole seconded the motion and all were in favor. The motion **PASSED**.*

B. Grounds and Facilities-Steve Bspuda

- Mr. Bspuda noted that three seasonal workers have began working the week of April second and everyone is now waiting for the warmer weather for the grass to grow. The Orange Fence Company will install the foul poles at DeGennaro Field.

C. Personnel – James O'Connor

- There was nothing additional to report at this time.

D. Budget

- The Commission members reviewed the budget and there were no questions at this time. Mr. Lynch advised that he would be making some transfers prior to the end of the fiscal year to cover certain line items.

E. Director's Report

- Registration for the Travelin' Teens program began on Monday, April twenty-third, and this program fills up quickly. The Parks and Recreation Department collected \$40k on the first day of registration. Registration for Summer Day Camp will begin on Monday, April

thirtieth, for Orange residents, and all other summer programs will begin on Tuesday, May twenty-ninth. Summer Day Camp and Travelin' Teens will start on June eighteenth.

- Mr. Lynch reported that all of the available programs are listed on the website. He concluded by noting that an Aquatic Report and Programs Report was included in the Commissioners' packets.

6. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

- Chairman Lembo had no additional information at this time.

7. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. O'Connor moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:58 p.m., seconded by Mr. Bspuda. All were in favor and the motion PASSED.

Respectfully Submitted,

Deborah Satonick,
Recording Secretary