

## Park and Recreation Commission Special Meeting

September 8, 2009

7:00 p.m.

### Attendance:

Robert G. Potter, Director

Joseph Schettino, Chairman (absent)

Harry Swaun, V. Chairman

Michael Sutyla

Linda Diamond (absent)

Robert Neri

Robert Karcich

Bonnie Finkeldey

### Guests:

Peter Neff, Major Todd Lawrie, Paul Jakobson, Ken Archer - Bldg., Committee, Alfie Campbell, Mark Rapuano

Major Lawrie, Paul Jakobson, and Mr. Archer: Came before the Commission to discuss the possibility of locating the new Communication Tower at the Indian River Complex. They showed the Commission maps of the existing coverage and what the coverage would be with the tower located at Indian River. Because this is Town property it is a natural site to look at. The CPD is only looking at it from a safety point of view. There are only four transmitters and three receiver sites in town. The other tower located on Cream Pot Road is not economically feasible at this time and there is a height issue as well. ZBA requires certain wording on their applications and that is why it reads the way it does. The CPD has no intention of selling any space to cell phone providers but that is not to day that the Town may have other plans. Mr. Swaun was adamantly against any towers for cell phones a year ago but when it is for public safety he supports that. If they decide to put cell phone cans on it he will address that at a later date. Major Lawrie apologized for posting the ZBA sign but they had to meet deadlines. Mr. Sutyla: What about the North End Station? There isn't enough usable land to support a tower. There is too much wetland. Question of Fall Zone: we didn't want to put up a lightening rod because of all of the kids in the park. The towers are grounded and will absorb lightening. Location is to be determined and the committee will work with the Commission. Mr. Archer stated that the radiation fall is not the concern it use to be. The Tower will be fenced off and the area would also include a small building. Mr. Sutyla motioned to accept the proposal with the understanding that the CPD will work closely with the Commission with regard to location to the Tower. Mr. Karcich seconded the motion.

Vote: In Favor: Swaun, Sutyla, Neri, Karcich

Opposed: None

Abstained: Finkeldey

The motion passed.

Major Lawrie, Paul Jakobson, & Mr. Archer left at 7:24 p.m.

### Mark Rapuano, request:

Harry Swaun LL Team 13/14 is requesting 8 games on the IRRC Baseball Field: 9/9, 9/16, 9/22, 9/26, 10/7, 10/14, 10/21, & 10/28. Mr. Neri motioned to approve the request. Mr. Sutyla seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Mr. Rapuano also requested to practice on the field every Monday: 9/14, 9/24, 9/28, 10/5, 10/12, 10/19, & 10/26, Time: 5 pm to dark. This is in direct conflict to our policy. Lois contacted the Morgan school to see if they any free time on the Morgan Baseball field but didn't hear back from them today. They should have something available.

### Alfie Campbell, request:

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Mr. Campbell came in place of Mr. Jim Strong and brought a revise schedule of Sunday morning soccer games. Mr. Neri motioned to approve the request as amended. Mr. Stuyla seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

### **Peter Neff:**

Came to the Commission to bring them up to date on a few items;

- Trash Removal: DPW has taken over this operation throughout the Town. They have ordered some recycling cans and some additional trash can.
- Town Beach: A 4 yard dumpster was installed to help with the trash issue.
- They have 2 people working on Saturdays.
- They fertilized the 1 field today – 2/3 of Peters was done today. Mr. Swaun asked about our organic program: 2 years ago, at the instruction of the Selectmen we went to an organics and now you are going back to not using organics. Mr. Neff stated that DPW is using a mixture. They are not licensed to apply everything so they will have to hire Greenscape to apply what they can't.
- They have been working on landscaping, sign work and paving.

Mr. Swaun asked Mr. Neff if he still wanted the Commission to do site walks. Mr. Neff didn't have an option one way or the other about it.

Mr. Neff left at 8 p.m.

### **Minutes:**

**June 2, 2009:** Mr. Sutyla motioned to approve the minutes as submitted. Mrs. Finkeldey seconded motion.

Vote: In Favor: Swaun, Sutyla, Finkeldey, Karcich

Opposed: None

Abstained: Neri

**August 4, 2009:** Mr. Neri motioned to table approval. Mrs. Finkeldey seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

### **Correspondence:**

**Liberty Bank Statement:** FYI

### **Sub-Committee Reports:**

**Linda Diamond, Liaison, Land Conservation Trust Outreach Committee, Mike Sutyla, Alternate:**

No news.

**Joseph Schettino, Liaison, Footbridge Committee with Frank Byrne and Larry Oullette:**

No news.

**Linda Diamond, Liaison: P & Z Commission Planning Committee, West End of Route 1 Planning**

**Effort:** No news.

### **Old Business:**

#### **Action Items:**

**Develop Additional Field at IRRC – Cream Pot Road:** No news.

**Peters Playground/Picnic Area Development & Location:** Mr. Sutyla motioned to place two tables and two benches near the playground area (one table with the checker board top). Mrs. Finkeldey seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. Mr. Sutyla motioned to place to benches at the end of

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Field #6 (in the shaded area). Mr. Neri seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. Commission asked that this item be removed from the action item list.

**92 Glenwood Road Property:** No news.

**Shellfish Barn – Town Beach:** The Director went to a meeting and the committee is working on additional funding. The Director will try to be at their next meeting.

**CEC – Meeting of 8/20/09:** Mr. Schettino, Mr. Swaun and the Director went to the meeting on 8/20/09. The presentation went well. The CEC and the Board of Finance received the proposal very well after they realized the present condition of the existing restroom and concession stand at the Town Beach.

**New Business:**

**Next P & R Meeting:** October 6, 2009.

**Director's Report:**

**Town Beach:** Officially closed on 9-7-09. The movies and concerts went very well. The Gazebo at the beach was repaired.

**Field Usage:** Signs are going up on the fields. The Director will be meeting with the Town's Attorney to establish an Ordinance.

**Peters' Concession Stand:** The burners and pilot lights will have to be replaced.

**Gazebo:** P & R refurbished the gazebo behind Malones.

Mr. Sutyla would like "Decorate your Neighborhood for the Holidays" placed on next month's agenda.

Mrs. Finkeldey motioned to adjourn. Mr. seconded the motion.

The meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

*Lois A. Ruggiero*

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