

West Haven Park and Recreation Commission
Minutes of Meeting
July 1, 2019
Park and Recreation Office

Meeting called to order by Comm. Coyle at 7:01pm.

Present: Comm. Coyle, Comm. Valaitis, Comm. Donovan, Comm. Tompkins, Park Rec. Acting Director Tom Conroy,

Absent: Comm. Beirne

Motion set by Comm. Coyle to amend the agenda and go to Public Session at 7:02pm. Motion seconded by Comm. Donovan. The motion was carried out by unanimous vote.

Public Session: Heather Scutti from the STARelief and Pets Assistance, Inc is looking to host a Skeleton Fest for the month of October. This is where local businesses, schools, any West Haven organizations could sponsor a skeleton and decorate it so that others can come take selfies with them. Ms. Scutti is looking to host a kickoff party on October 13, 2019 from 3-9pm on the West Haven Green. The fest would include: children dance group performing Michael Jackson's Thriller, pumpkin painting contests, and a family Halloween movie. Ms. Scutti is requesting permission to host this event on the West Haven Green from the commission.

Motion set by Comm. Coyle to amend back to the agenda at 7:15pm. Motion seconded by Comm. Donovan. The motion was carried out by unanimous vote.

Motion set by Comm. Valaitis to accept the minutes from the meeting of June 3, 2019 seconded by Comm. Tompkins. The motion was carried out by unanimous vote.

Correspondence:

- A. Heather Scutti
- B. Jacquelyn Sparks

New Business:

A. Heather Scutti: Skeleton Fest- A motion set to grant Ms. Scutti request to host this fest on the West Haven Green on October 13, 2019 by Comm. Donovan. This motion was seconded by Comm. Valaitis. The motion was carried out by unanimous vote.

B. Cycle for a Cure- Ms. Sparks is from the Northeast Aids Ride. This foundation is hosting a bike ride from Boston to New York to help raise money for awareness in the fight to end HIV/Aids. This ride will begin on September 20th and end on September 22, 2019. The request is to use Bradley Point Beach/Lot as a rest stop as they are riding through West Haven. The rest stop will entail: Date on September 21, 2019 between the hours of 11:00am – 6:00pm. Equipment: 2 Port-O-Potties, 2 10ft by 10ft tents, and 2 6ft tables. Comm. Coyle has requested

more information before making a motion on this request. This has been tabled until August meeting.

Maintenance

A. Other- Tom Conroy Acting Park Rec Director explains to the commission the work to fix Painter 3 softball field has been completed. This was done because of vandalism that occurred last year when a car drove on the field. Mr. Conroy also notifies the commission of the few trees that are down on the lower road at Painter Park due to the micro blast storm that went through part of the city causing damage all over.

Old Business:

Other: Nike Site Basketball Courts- Mr. Conroy updates the commission on the status of work to be done on the courts at the Nike Site. He explains that quotes have been turned in and hopefully the work will be started sometime in the fall. As Mr. Conroy gets updates he will continue to notify the commission.

A motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Coyle, seconded by Commissioner Donovan and carried by unanimous vote at 7:57 pm.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Kerri Ruocco

Please note these minutes are subject to approval.