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**Cromwell Recreation Commission
Regular Meeting
May 7, 2015**

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Present: Commissioners Brenda Zeilor, Philip Gregory, John Schmaltz, Daniel Brisson, William Konopka, Richard Nobile, and Recreation Director Susan Schein.

Absent: Commissioners, Mark Carroll, Paul Cordone, Tony Amenta, Shelby Jones-Recreation Supervisor, Shirley Banic-T/C Liaison, and Al Waters-T/C Liaison.

Others Present: None

Meeting called to order at 7:02 P.M. by Chairman Brenda Zeilor

Approve/Amend Agenda: Motion was made by Mr. Nobile to approve the agenda as presented. Motion seconded by Mr. Gregory. Motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Minutes:

March 5, Regular Meeting: Motion made by Mr. Gregory to approve the minutes of the Recreation Commission's March 5, 2015 Regular Meeting. Motion seconded by Mr. Schmaltz. Motion passed with Mr. Nobile, Mr. Brisson and Mr. Konopka abstaining.

Citizens Comments:

None

Councilmen's Comments:

None

Correspondence:

None

Program Report

Director Schein advised Commission Members that the Spring Programs are presently in process with full participation.

Programs consist of "Cooking" in the evening for school ages and during the day "Fun with Food" for preschool ages.

The numbers for "After School Soccer" are very high. The "Preschool Soccer" sessions on Saturdays are full.

Numbers are low for the "Adult Fitness" and "Zumba" programs.

Last week there were over 30 participating in the Boating Class.

Spring Programs are scheduled to run through the first week in June. Upon their completion there will be a short break to allow for the preparation of Summer Programs.

Director Schein noted that a Spring Concert is scheduled for the end of the month, May 26th. The concert will be from 6:30-8:00 p.m. Entertainment will be by the "Survival Swing Band".

Also scheduled for the end of the month is "Day at the Rock Cats". This is scheduled for Sunday, May 31st. Tickets are \$7.00/each. Requests for tickets have begun to come in. It is possible that this may be the last year tickets are offered due to the change in venue next year.

Committee Report:

None

New Business:

Summer 2015: Director Schein advised commission members that Summer Brochures are scheduled to go out no later than next Friday.

There will be new programs offered in addition to the usual programs. "New Programs" include a Movie Making Programs, IncrediFlicks, Lego, Mad Science, Engineering Imagination, etc. These are non-traditional sport oriented programs that will be held on different weeks to allow participants to take part in more than one in so desired. All these programs will be held in the Town Hall.

New Business (continued):

Interviews for staff was held last week. The reviews of applicants are presently being done and letters are scheduled to go out next week. Many of the staff are returning and there will be some new heads of sites. This is due to required internships from former staff colleges enabling them to return.

Sports related programs include soccer, volleyball, lacrosse, basketball, flag football, etc. Sky Hawks will once again return this year.

In the planning stages is a Basketball Program coordination between Recreation, CYO and Rebel Travel Basketball geared on skill development. Details are still being worked out.

A stencil is on order for the painting/lining of the basketball court(s) at Watrous Park.

Old Business:

Splashpad: Director Schein advised Commission Members that the borings at Pierson Park have been done and the Engineering Department is awaiting the final report. Prior to the borings all Splashpad specifications/details were obtained from Vortex and supplied to the Engineering Company doing the borings. The final report is expected shortly. Once the report is received it will be determined whether or not the Splashpad can be placed at Pierson Park. In the meantime, all approvals/permits have been obtained.

If it is determined that the Splashpad cannot be placed at Pierson Park it will need to be determined where at Watrous Park and can be placed. Discussion held.

Commissioners Comments:

Discussion held regarding putting in a Skating Rink. Director Schein informed members that a request for a portable skating rink was placed into the Recreation CNR Budget requests many times and each time the Board of Selectmen removed it. Due to this fact and the fact that other needs took precedence, the request for a skating rink has not be requested the past few years.

After a lengthy discussion it was the consensus of the Recreation Commission that a Skating Rink should be requested in the 2016/2017 CNR Budget Request. Director Schein noted their request and will include it in the next fiscal years CNR request.

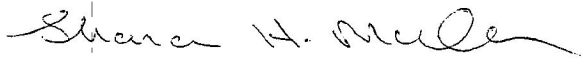
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Adjournment:

Mr. Gregory made the motion to adjourn the regular meeting of the Recreation Commission. Motion seconded by Mr. Brisson. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 7:40 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Sharon H. Muller".

Sharon H. Muller
Clerk