MINUTES – GLASTONBURY RECREATION COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING – April 19, 2018

The Glastonbury Recreation Commission held a Regular Meeting on Thursday, April 19, 2018, at the Glastonbury Parks & Recreation Department, 2143 Main Street, Glastonbury, Connecticut.

Commission Members Present: Michael Clinton, John Langmaid, Mario DiLoreto and Yola Rondinelli

Commission Members Absent: Dan Durso and Jason Smith

Others Present: Raymond E. Purtell, Director of Parks & Recreation

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 a.m.

1. Correspondence:

There was no correspondence.

2. Minutes:

A motion was made by John Langmaid to accept the minutes of the February 15, 2018 meeting and the motion was seconded by Yola Rondinelli. The minutes were approved unanimously.

3. Committee Reports:

Great Pond Stewardship Committee: Ray Purtell reported that the Committee met on February 21, 2018. Jason Smith's name had inadvertently been omitted from the mailing list. As a result, he did not receive notification of the meeting. This has since been corrected. The Committee hopes to install a new property identification sign at its entrance that is similar to those recently installed at other Town-owned facilities. The committee has also partnered with the Town on a land acquisition.

4. Director's Report:

Ray Purtell provided a verbal report that included the following items: spring athletic field preparation; summer program registration; seasonal hiring; installation of new playground equipment at the Kangaroo Kids preschool; the upcoming Hartwell Soccer Spring Break Tournament; and the dock installation at Riverfront Park.

Mike Clinton updated the group on the status of the dugout installation at Smith School by Glastonbury Amateur Baseball. John Langmaid raised a concern about the proposed increase in the minimum wage under consideration by the legislature and its impact on the cost of recreation programs. Ray Purtell also advised the Commission that the Council had tentatively planned to continue discussion of the swimming pool project at their next meeting.

5. Old Business

There was no Old Business.

6. New Business:

Proposed Schedule of Fees and Charges FY 2018-2019: Ray Purtell presented an overview of the process used by the Town to approve the Schedule of Fees and Charges for Town-sponsored recreation programs. Copies of the proposed fee schedules, a summary of proposed changes, and a list of free programs was distributed and reviewed. Questions were raised relative to the process for selecting contractual service providers, golf programs, the field assessment fee paid by local sports groups, and the number of non-resident outdoor pool passes sold. A motion was made by Mario DiLoreto, seconded by John Langmaid, to recommend approval of the Fee Schedules as proposed. Approved Unanimously.

7. Any Other Business:

<u>Swimming Pool Discussion</u>: The Commission had a general discussion relative to the swimming pool models being discussed. The Commission asked that its interest in being involved in any study group that might be formed be conveyed to the Town Council through the Town Manager. Several members expressed an interest in participating.

<u>Recreation Commission Membership</u>: Mike Clinton asked that records be checked to determine Jim Boice's years of volunteer service on the Commission. There is a sense that Jim may be the longest serving Commission member. He would like to invite Jim back to a meeting so that Jim's service can be acknowledged and recognized.

8. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned 8:35 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Raymond E. Purtell

Director of Parks & Recreation