

**MINUTES – GLASTONBURY RECREATION COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING – May 18, 2020**

The Glastonbury Recreation Commission held a Regular Meeting on Monday, May 18, 2020, by Zoom Video Conferencing.

Commission Members Present on Zoom Meeting: John Langmaid, Yola Rondinelli, Jessica Wallace, Corey Turner and Ellen Saunig

Commission Members Absent: Mario DiLoreto

Others Present on Zoom Meeting: Lisa Zerio, Director of Parks & Recreation

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m.

1. Correspondence:

- There was no correspondence.

2. Minutes:

A motion was made by Corey Turner to accept the minutes of the February 10, 2020 regular meeting, and was seconded by Ellen Saunig. The minutes were approved unanimously.

3. Committee Reports:

There were no Committee Reports.

4. Director's Report:

- Lisa Zerio let the Commission know that Kelly Devanny, Recreation Supervisor, has retired after 34 years of service to the Town. Kelly's duties included the coordination of athletic field use, Gymnastics, Playground Camps, Glastonbury Basketball Association, Kangaroo Kids, and countless other programs. Kelly's drive, dedication, experience, and commitment to the organization will be truly missed.
- Minnechaug Golf Course: Lisa Zerio let the Commission know that the golf course had a very busy March and April. 203 rounds of golf were recorded.
- Docks: Dock installation is scheduled for May 20, 2020.

5. Old Business

- Health and Wellness Fair: The Passport to Health – Glastonbury's Health and Wellness Fair that was scheduled to be held on April 8, 2020, was postponed due to Covid-19. We had thirty vendors registered and many more that were scheduled to participate. Our hopes are to re-schedule in the future.
- Age Friendly Community Conversation: An Age Friendly Community Conversation was held Thursday, February 13, 2020, from 6:00-8:00 p.m. at the Riverfront Community Center. Sixty community members of all ages came to share their ideas on how to continue to make Glastonbury a great place to live for all ages. Next steps – moving towards doing three focus groups virtually in the month of June, which consists of housing developments, Youth and Family Services, and Chamber of Commerce.

6. New Business:

- COVID-19: Lisa Zerio stated that the following amenities are closed: tennis courts, playgrounds, Dog Park, basketball courts and High School track and field. Signage has been placed at all parks, athletic fields and pavilions stating:

“No Congregating, Abuse Will Result in Park Closures”.

- The Town website is an excellent resource for the community to get up to date information on Town resources, Town procedures, and listings of closures and program cancellations.
- The “Glastonbury Gives Program” has received over \$30,000 in monetary donations.
- All virtual programs have been well received.
- Parks & Recreation hosted the first “Juke Box Bingo”, and it was very successful with 81 households participating (a total of 229 people).
- Summer Programs/ Pools: Following guidelines from various agencies such as the Health Department, Department of Public Health (DPH), Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), and Office of Early Childhood (OEC), our staff is working to coordinate some adapted programs for our community. Lisa Zerio stated that the pools fall under our local health department and the DPH, and that regulations are being looked at by the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) and Department of Economic Community Development (DECD).
- Election of Officers: Yola Rondinelli nominated John Langmaid for Chairman, Seconded by Jessica Wallace. All were in favor (John Langmaid abstained). Chairman Langmaid nominated Yola Rondinelli for Vice Chairman, Seconded by Jessica Wallace. All were in favor (Yola Rondinelli abstained).
- Proposed Schedule of Fees & Charges: Lisa Zerio reviewed the Proposed Schedule of Fees & Charges. Motion made by Corey Turner to approve, Seconded by Ellen Saunig. All in favor – Motion Passed.

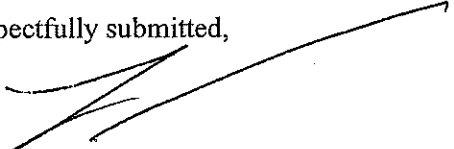
7. Any Other Business to Come Before the Commission:

Jessica Wallace discussed wanting to continue to look into disc golf and an egg hunt for children. Discussion was held about the possibility of doing Yoga on the Green at some point.

8. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Lisa Zerio
Director of Parks & Recreation