

**MINUTES – GLASTONBURY RECREATION COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING – September 20, 2021**

The Glastonbury Recreation Commission held a Regular Meeting on Monday, September, 20 2021, via Zoom.

Commission Members Present: John Langmaid, Jessica Wallace, Corey Turner, and Yola Rondinelli

Commission Members Absent: Mario DiLoreto and Ellen Saunig

Others Present: Lisa Zerio, Director of Parks & Recreation

The meeting was called to order at 5:34 p.m.

1. Correspondence:

Chairman, John Langmaid, received a letter from Luther Weeks, in regards to the addition of portable toilet locations between South Glastonbury and the center of town.

2. Minutes:

The minutes of the June 21, 2021 Regular Meeting were approved unanimously.

3. Committee Reports:

No Report

4. Director's Report:

• Minnechaug Golf Course/Restaurant Update:

Lisa Zerio stated that through September 16, of this year 18,373 rounds of golf have been played. Compared to last year at this time they are down over 3,000, but almost 10,000 rounds more than 2019. Considering the very wet summer, the course is having a great year, and the restaurant is doing well.

• Fall Concert:

ETA performed on Wednesday, September 8. There were an estimated 500 attendees. This was very well received and hopes are to go back to our normal summer concert schedule next year.

• Eagle Scouts:

- John Nardone has completed his Blackledge Falls project which included the addition of a kiosk, re-blazing trails and adding way-finding signage. Lisa Zerio will be doing a walkthrough with John, either over the weekend, or the following week to sign off on the project.
- Shao Stassen will be starting his project at Great Pond Preserve which will include the addition of a kiosk, trail maintenance, re-blazing trails, and updating the trail brochure.
- Spencer Moy is working on documenting the coordinates and photographing living legacy memorial benches and trees on town property.
- Ryan Oulette will potentially be working with Nayaug School to fundraise and construct Gaga-Pits.

5. Old Business

- Upcoming Special Events/Programs:

Lisa Zerio advised the Commission of the upcoming Passport to Health Fair scheduled for Wednesday, September 22, from 2 p.m.-7 p.m. at the RCC. The Town Wide Tag Sale is scheduled for Saturday, September 25, from 8 a.m.-1 p.m. The Spooky Stroll is scheduled for Tuesday, October 19, outside on the RCC grounds at 4 p.m.

- Splash Pad Update:

The work commenced on September 8. The Rotary Club will be having a ground breaking and check presentation. Date to be determined.

6. New Business:

- Summer Summary Report:

Lisa Zerio and Katryna Albert summarized the summer programs and the participation. The Commission was able to review comparisons over the past three years.

- Portable Toilet Locations:

Luther Weeks attended the meeting to inquire about the possibility of adding more portable toilets at various locations and keeping them year- round. Lisa Zerio advised both the Commission, and Mr. Weeks, regarding some of the concerns which includes assuring the units can be accessible and safe during the winter months. There is potential to keep the one that is currently at Hubbard Green for eight months to year-round. Lisa Zerio and staff will review potential locations and update the Commission at the next meeting.

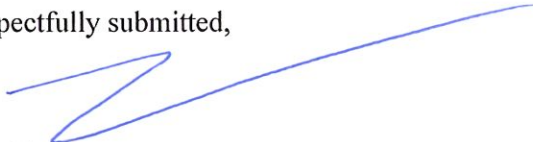
7. Any Other Business to Come Before the Commission:

- Jessica Wallace inquired about Hartwell's use of the lights at the Glastonbury High School. Lisa Zerio advised that Hartwell reach out to her, and look into availability. The concerns are limited availability of the synthetic turf field.
- Disc Golf- Discussion regarding the potential of a future disc golf course. Lisa Zerio will be discussing the potential opportunities with the Town Manager.
- John Langmaid advised that on social media, there has been posts about the handicap accessibility of getting to the athletic fields. Lisa Zerio advised she would look into it.

8. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned 6:29 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Lisa Zerio
Director of Parks & Recreation