

Parks & Recreation Commission

Meeting Minutes – August 8, 2019 [Approved 09-12-2019](#)

Meeting began at approx. 6:15 pm

Present: Ronalee P., Sean T., Ryan M., Mike C., Leigh-Anne D.

Guests: None

Absent: Lisa D.

New Business

Review/Vote to approve minutes from July 11, 2019

Ronalee made a motion to approve the minutes, Mike seconded the motion. All in favor, minutes approved as written.

Prioritization of Task Lists - Tabled

Sean said the Commission members are still having issues opening and view the google docs. Therefore, this agenda item will be tabled for now.

Review/Vote - Funds to be used for improvements to Parks - Tabled

Brewfest

Ronalee updated the Commission members on the Salisbury Days events, which include the Brewfest. All the plans are coming along nicely. Salisbury Days will kick off Friday evening (September 27th) with a Senior Prom down at the beach that includes catered food and wine. Saturday morning will include Beach yoga, a scavenger hunt, and some Olympic games on the beach, and then the opening ceremonies begin at 10am. A Fireman's Muster will follow and then the Brewfest at 4p. Ronalee is working on arrangements for Fat Bellies and the breweries to stay for the day instead of just for the Brewfest. She also suggested passing out coupons for the Brewfest at the Fireman's Muster. She believes this may pull more people to the Brewfest. On Sunday, there will be a crafts fair at the Town Common, an antique fair at the Historical Society house, and the Pike School will be open for tours. The Boys and Girls Club will have an obstacle course for kids at Memorial Park along with other miscellaneous activities for all to enjoy. Ronalee said that the police chief will be putting more officers on each shift for the entire weekend.

Pickle Ball

Ronalee is working a plan to generate more interest in the pickle ball courts.

Basketball Court – Line Painting and Benches

Ronalee suggested that the county corrections or community service personnel could paint the lines. Mike added that the Leo's may also be an option for this task.

Other Business

Leigh-Anne gave the Commission members present a copy of the by-laws from surrounding towns for review. The Commission members will use this information to create by-laws for the

Parks and Recreation Commission in Salisbury. Ronalee said that the Town Charter Committee will be making recommendations at the Fall Town meeting to have the Parks and Recreation Commission create their own By-Laws. These by-laws will need to be voted in at the Spring Town Meeting.

Sean asked Ronalee if she had spoken to the police chief about cameras at Lions Park. He wanted to know at what point does the vandalism become a police matter/responsibility rather than a Parks and Rec concern?

Old Business

Beach Field – Conversion to Softball Field

Mike told the Commission members present that both he and Shaun Beevers are working on the list of materials needed to convert the beach field to a softball field. Due to the nature of their business responsibilities, they have been unable to complete that list at this time.

Pickle Ball - See above.

Status of Seasonal Employee/Mowing Schedule

Ronalee reported that five applications have been received for the part-time position. In the meantime, the interim employee has been doing a great job. Ronalee mentioned that she noticed how well kept everything looks around Town and attributes it to this employee.

Partridge Brook Park Concession Stand

Mike told the Commission members present that Jim Rolfe and Lisa Pearson checked the stagnant water pressure which is 78lbs psi. That is the pressure it needs to be. Jim Rolfe is working on a system so that the pond water can also be utilized in irrigating the field. The only concern is how much water should drain out of the pond. A plan is being worked on for a dual system utilizing the pond and a well or Town water.

Ronalee informed the Commission members present that her brother, Mark, (the architect for the Partridge Brook Concession Stand Project), is now reviewing the revised plans sent from the plumber. He will update them and then it will take 3 months for the stand to be built by Shea Construction. Once the structure is complete there is about a month more for the installation to be complete. Lisa Pearson is also working on the locks for the bathrooms. She wants to have time locks so that they can be unlocked and locked automatically. The concession stand itself can have key lock. Once the concession stand is in place, Lisa will be working on placement of the security cameras.

Other Business

Sean requested that Jeff Johnson be invited to the next meeting so the Commission members can discuss the progress and future plans for Partridge Brook Park among other topics.

Meeting ended at approximately 7:25 p.m.