

**Preston Parks & Recreation Commission
Regular Meeting
Tuesday, January February 22, 2022
Teleconference Call
7:30 pm**

Call to Order/Roll

Vice Chairman Dan Coley called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm

Members present: Dan Coley, Mikel Brockway, Gary Deveau, Katie Iozzia, Tom Wilbur, Danielle Wilcox

Members excused: Rachel Tucker

Members absent: Kim Demara

Alternates present: Roberta Charpentier

Also present: Amy Brosnan, Director, Miranda Fabre, Assistant, Meghan Campbell, Preston resident
Roberta Charpentier, recorder

Public Comment

None

Meeting Minutes:

January 25, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes

January 27, 2022 Special Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by M. Brockway and seconded by G. Deveau to accept the January 25, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes as presented.

All in favor. Motion carries

January 27, 2022 Special Meeting Minutes

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All in favor. Motion carries.

Treasurer's Report:

A motion was made by G. Deveau and seconded by M. Brockway to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented.

All in favor. Motion carries.

Correspondence Received/Sent Out: For Review

1. Sent: Letter to the BoS requesting Danielle Wilcox be appointed as a member.
2. Received: Letter from Jewett City Savings Bank re: CD rollover

Unfinished Business

Remembrance & Recognition of Tom Turner Park

Discussion around naming the playground after Tom and holding a fundraiser for scholarships in Tom's name.

A. Brosnan stated that she will start getting prices for plaques.

Maintenance and Development

General maintenance updates

No comments

Finance/Fundraising:

Budget: 2022-2023

BoS are in the process of scheduling Budget Workshops

Membership & Elections:

Open positions: (1) Regular Member & (1) Alternate Member

Meghan Campbell stated that she is interested in joining.

She has 3 children and is invested in Town activities.

Teacher in Norwich. 12th year teaching.

Coached field Hockey and Lacrosse at NFA for 8 years.

A motion was made by M. Brockway and seconded by T. Wilbur to recommend that the BoS appoint Meghan Campbell as a Regular Member of the Parks & Recreation Commission with a term ending March 31, 2025.

All in favor. Motion carries.

Programs & Activities Update

- Senior Activities new name is Active Age Forum

2 trips scheduled to Providence Performance Arts Center

Zumba Gold classes

Chair Yoga

- Art class

Shamrock button art

- Men's basketball
- Youth activities

Zumba after school

4h class

Pre-K/Kindergarten basketball

Field trip on March 11th

Youth Basketball

M. Brockway asked if there is ever basketball camps through the summer.

A. Brosnan answered yes, 9 to 3 at PVMS for kids going into 3rd – through 9th grade.

M. Brockway stated he'd like to see it for younger kids too.

T. Wilbur thought more time is needed on the court and the town lost a year due to Covid so we are a little bit behind where we should be.

M. Brockway agreed and noted he has 2nd graders on his basketball team who never played basketball

before because everything was canceled.

Community Events

- Clean-up weekend April 23rd and 24th
- Community Yard Sale – May 7th
- Preston Palooza! Date to be determined
- Summer Sizzler - June

Preston Little League Update

- Registration has closed. ~ 130 have signed up.
- Opening Day is April 30th

New/Additional Business

Field Use Fees for 2022

Currently \$25 per hour \$200 per day

Tabled until next month

A. Brosnan will email members Preston's and surrounding Town's current rates.

Public Comment

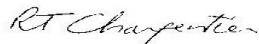
M. Brockway welcomed Danielle Wilcox as a new member.

Adjournment

A motion was made by G. Deveau and seconded by M. Brockway to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 pm.

All in favor. Motion carries.

Respectfully submitted,



Roberta Charpentier