

**Preston Parks & Recreation Commission
Regular Meeting
Tuesday, January April 26, 2022
Teleconference Call
7:30 pm**

Call to Order/Roll

Vice Chairman Dan Coley called the meeting to order at 7:35 pm

Members present: Dan Coley, Katie Iozzia, Rachel Tucker (left at 8:18 pm), Tom Wilbur arrived at 8:19 pm), Danielle Wilcox

Members excused: Gary Deveau

Members absent: Kim Demara

Alternates present: Roberta Charpentier

Also present: Amy Brosnan, Director, Mikel Brockway, Roberta Charpentier, recorder

Vice Chairman Coley seated Roberta Charpentier

Public Comment

None

Meeting Minutes:

March 29, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by R. Charpentier and seconded by Rachel Tucker to accept the March 29, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes as presented.

All in favor. Motion carries

Treasurer's Report:

A motion was made by Rachel Tucker and seconded by Danielle Wilcox to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented.

All in favor. Motion carries.

Correspondence Received/Sent Out: For Review

1. Sent: Palooza Sponsorship requests
2. Sent : BoS – request to reappoint Rachel Tucker and Dan Coley

Unfinished Business

Remembrance & Recognition of Tom Turner Park

A. Brosnan is waiting for the price quote on a plaque she chose.

A. Brosnan suggested mounting it on a large rock instead of a post.

Maintenance and Development

General maintenance updates

- Fertilizer and grub control was applied
- Hot water heater replaced and wiring updated in baseball concession stand
- Shed ordered last year will be delivered tomorrow
- Russ Green is having bridges power washed
- Repair needed to damaged chain link fence

Finance/Fundraising:

Budget: 2022-2023

BoS are planing to use American Rescue Act Funds to purchase a mower P&R requested.

Membership & Elections:

Open positions: (2) Regular Members & (1) Alternate Member

- Mikel Brockway (Term expired 03/31/2022)

A. Brosnan explained that the Town's website had the wrong dates listed so Gary Deveau did not need to be reappointed but Mikel Brockway did.

A motion was made by Rachel Tucker and seconded by Danielle Wilcox to recommend that the BoS reappoint Mikel Brockway to a five year term that ends March 31, 2027

All in favor. Motion carries.

A motion was made by Danielle Wilcox and seconded by Katie Iozzia to resign Kim Demara from her duties as a member of Parks & Recreation and thank her for her time.

All in favor. Motion carries

Programs & Activities Update

- Two senior bus trips took place in March and April
- 29 signed up for the Temptations
- Two more trips scheduled in May at Providence Art Center
 - Teamed up with CAC and Amos Lake Association to hold 5 kayaking events on Amos Lake
 - Senior trip to the pedal cars in Rhode Island in June
 - Summer Camp July 5th registration is ongoing
 - Basketball open gym extended to the end of May
 - Volleyball
 - Chair yoga
 - Sky Hawks
 - Archery camp
 - Teen Camp for Middle Schoolers – field trip based

Community Events

- Clean-up weekend April 23rd and 24th
not as much participation this year
- Community Yard Sale – May 7th - 13 houses have signed up so far and 9 for Preston Plains School. The map will be posted on the Town's website
- Preston Palooza is scheduled for June 1st
- Summer Sizzler – June – date tbd

Preston Little League Update

- Opening Day is April 30th
- Largest number of sign ups in a few years
- Master Schedule will be completed by tomorrow
- Score Boards will be mounted tomorrow

New/Additional Business

- Parks & Recreation Awards

Graduating high school seniors have the opportunity to write an essay about growing up Preston style to win \$100.

5 \$100 awards are given.

Public Comment

None

Adjournment

A motion was made by Danielle Wilcox and seconded by Tom Wilbur to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 pm.

All in favor. Motion carries.

Respectfully submitted,



Roberta Charpentier