



CITY OF NEW BEDFORD

PARKS, RECREATION & BEACHES

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BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS

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April 22, 2020

6:00 P.M.

MINUTES

Please Note: All events are subject to the COVID-19 restrictions being lifted by the date of the event.

CALL TO ORDER Chairman Boswell called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Peter Boswell, Paula Robinson Deare, Diane Berube, Elaine Safioleas, Lee Bentley

ABSENT: ~

ALSO PRESENT: Mary Rapoza, Rachel Mulroy, Bernadette Barreira

ACCEPT PAST MINUTES NONE AT THIS TIME

Peter Boswell read the prepared statement by Governor Baker regarding the open meeting guidelines during the COVID 19.

NEW BUSINESS - APPEARANCES/ACTIONS

- 1. Park Board vote on reopening the playgrounds to coincide with NBPS reopening before June 30.**
Diane Berube motioned to table this item and defer to the Dept. of Public Health. 2nd by Elaine Safioleas and approved by all.

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2. **2020 Greens Fee Waiver Applicants**

Only one applicant this year New Bedford High Gridiron Club. Communication from Sue Carlson that no alcohol be brought in (coolers). Mary Rapoza stated it is illegal to bring alcohol onto any public property.

Elaine Safioleas motioned to approve the one applicant for the Waiver of Green Fees. 2nd by Diane Berube and approved by all.

3. **20th Pet Fest & Dog Walk @** Buttonwood Park on Sunday 5/31/2020 8am-4pm

Invitee: Emanuel Maciel not present on conference call

Elaine Safioleas motioned to save the date and table at this time. 2nd by Paula Robinson Deare and approved by all.

4. **AHA Night** on the 2nd Thursday every month at Custom House Square.

Invitee: Lee Heald not present on conference call, but Mary Rapoza spoke on her behalf

City sponsored event by Parks and Recreation. This is a full year application and needs may be requested from DPI.

Diane Berube motioned to approve the 2nd Thursday of every month at Custom House Square if social distancing and health regulations are followed. 2nd by Elaine Safioleas and accepted by all.

5. Save the date for **3rd Eye Open @** Custom House Square on Saturday 8/22/2020 10am-8pm

Invitee: Samia Walker

Elaine Safioleas motioned to save the date and table until we get more information regarding the COVID 19 virus. 2nd by Paula Robinson Deare and accepted by all.

6. **Reggae & Music on West Beach** at West Beach Pavilion on Sunday 6/14, 6/28, 7/12, 7/26, 8/16, 8/30

Invitee: Brooke Baptiste

Brooke asked if there was any information if June events would be taking place. Peter told her we have no information at this time.

Diane Berube motioned to save the dates. 2nd by Lee Bentley and approved by all.

OLD BUSINESS

REPORT DIRECTOR OF PARKS RECREATION & BEACHES

CORRESPONDENCE

Annual Reports from:

La Gondola

Elaine Safioleas motioned to receive and place on file the report. 2nd by Diane Berube and approved by all.

OTHER

Mary went over construction projects that will be happening this spring.

Rivers End Park -playground pieces, café tables, and shade structure

Beauregard Pina Playground and Monte's Park construction

Hazelwood Park Bowling Greens & wall on Rodney French Blvd. side

Summer lunch programing and beach openings have several plans depending on the COVID 19 restrictions.

East Beach water park contract will be in the works. They want to open by July 1,2020 but mostly will not happen this year so plan is to start contract set up for 2021.

The Board commends DPI on all the work they have done in the parks.

NEXT MEETING

5/20/2020 @ 6pm @ Buttonwood Community Center or by conference call

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Elaine Safioleas motioned to adjourn meeting at 6:29pm. 2nd by Paula Robinson Deare and accepted by all.

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if any accommodations are needed,
please contact the Dept. of Parks Recreation & Beaches at 508-961-3015.
Requests should be made as soon as possible
but at least 48 hours prior to the scheduled meeting.*

A true record attests

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Pete Baswell", is written over a horizontal line.

Respectfully submitted,

Bernadette Barreira

