

City of Middletown
Parks & Recreation Department
100 Riverview Center
Suite 140
Middletown, Connecticut 06457

Parks & Recreation Commission Minutes of January 6, 2011
Held at the Recreation Department Office at 100 Riverview Center

Present: Commissioners Gerry Winzer, Tom D'Aquila, Phil Pessina, Ricky Romano and Dan Drew. Director Raymond Santostefano representing the Parks and Recreation Department and student representative Dhruvi Patel.

Absent: Commissioner Jones and Jaskot. Student representative Jalen Jones.

Point of Reference: Councilman Serra resigned his position as Parks and Recreation Commissioner. Dan Drew was appointed as his replacement on the commission.

Call: Chairman Winzer called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm, in the main room of the Recreation Office, at 100 Riverview Center, Suite 140.

Public Hearing: None

Minutes: Chairman Winzer requested a motion be made accepting the Parks and Recreation Commission minutes of December 2, 2010. Commissioner D'Aquila accepted. Commissioner Romano seconded the motion. Commissioner Pessina and Drew abstained.

Vote: The Parks & Recreation Commission minutes were unanimously approved.

Department Reports: Director Santostefano discussed the football tournament game that was held at Palmer Field and the numerous departments that worked collaboratively for a positive outcome. He stated that the Parks Department's standard winterization of various buildings and maintenance had been completed. He also spoke about the Recreation Department's inclusion programs, Detroit Hunter Christmas workshop, other various programs and the preparation of the Parks and Recreation spring brochure.

Director Santostefano stated that part of the settlement regarding the arbitration between the Board of Education and the City of Middletown, was to allow Chris Bourne to be appointed as a Program/Budget Analyst for the Parks and Recreation Department, Arts and Culture and the Senior Center.

Correspondence: None

Miscellaneous: None

Old Business: Director Santostefano discussed the skateboard park construction at Willie Pep Park.

New Business: Director Santostefano and the commissioners discussed having the Crystal Lake rules to include “swim at your own risk/unsupervised swimming”.

Motion: Commissioner Drew made a motion to allow unsupervised swimming at Crystal Lake and to move forward with the proper signage. Commissioner Pessina seconded the motion.

Vote: The motion was unanimously approved.

Miscellaneous: None

Adjournment:

Commissioner D’Aquila made a motion to adjourn the meeting, which was seconded by Commissioner Romano. It was a unanimous vote. Meeting adjourned at 7:37 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by Lori A. Marcati

cc Mayor Sebastian Giuliano