

SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

Litchfield Park & Recreation
Annex Gym
80 Doyle Rd, Bantam, CT. 06750
Monday May 15, 2023 7:00pm

Call to Order: 7:08pm

Attendance: Gianni Perugini, Ray Schmid via Phone, Lisa Bauer, Martha Bernstein, Bill Deacon, Michael Lyn Cappello P&R Director, Matt Mette

Absent Members: Jay Bolton, Helen Bunnell, Rob Gollow

Appointment of Alternates (as needed): Chairman appoints Matt Mette

Directors Report: Highlighted by the director.

Budget review: Highlighted by the director. Discussion and ideas about Fund 22.

Old Business

- Town Beach, ARPA Funds Update: Update given by R.Schmid. Raz Alexe met with Cardinal, Ray Schmid, Gianni Perugini, Denise Raap and Michael Lyn Cappello. R. Alexe suggested that we develop a master plan after having met with DEEP in order to go after funding for future projects to enhance the beach property. Motion: Use ARPA funds to move forward with Cardinal to do a proposal for a site plan and a master plan for Town Beach made by M. Bernstein and seconded by L.Bauer. All in favor, motion carried.
- Community Field Update: G.Perugini spoke with Ameachi Obi about Capital Funds that we have approved to ensure that funds are still available. Gianni Perugini has asked the BOS to consider using ARPA funds that the town still has available for Cardinal to do the engineering plan for the Grand Plan of Community Field, and improvements to the Playscape and ADA compliance of the facility. Motion to have Gianni Perugini go send the letter to the BOS with our request for \$76k funds for engineering of the Community Field Grand Plan. Motion by Martha Bernstein, seconded by Ray Schmid. All in favor and motion carried.

New Business

- Fireworks: Motion made to cancel the fireworks. because of funds coming from Fund 22. Motion made by Ray Schmid and seconded by Lisa Bauer. Discussion followed and Motion failed. 3/2. Fireworks will be held on June 30.
- Block Party: We have received a donation of \$3000 from NW Community Bank to cover the cost associated with the Block Party. Band will be located in the parking spaces at center green facing south. Litchfield, Bantam and E.Litchfield Fire will be on hand to assist with safety and lighting.
- Election of officers:

- Chairman: Lisa Bauer moved to nominate Gianni Pergini as Chairman and Bill Deacon seconded the nomination. There were no other nominations and all voted aye and the motion carried.
- Vice Chairman: Bill Deacon moved to nominate Ray Schmid as Vice Chairman and Martha Bernstein seconded the nomination. There were no other nominations and all voted aye and the motion carried.
- Secretary: Bill Deacon moved to nominate Martha Bernstein as Secretary and Lisa Bauer seconded the nomination. There were no other nominations and all voted aye and the motion carried.
- Dates for upcoming meetings: Below are dates for upcoming meetings. All meetings are held at the Park & Rec Office at 80 Doyle Road, Bantam. 7:00pm

Monday June 19, 2023

Monday July 17, 2023

Monday August 21, 2023

Monday September 18, 2023

Monday October 16, 2023

Monday November 20, 2023

Monday December 18, 2023

Adjournment: Ray Schmid moved to adjourn at 8:45pm and Bill Deacon seconded. All voted aye and the motion carried.

Submitted: Michael Lyn Cappello, Director