

HARTFORD PARKS & RECREATION MINUTES

5/9/24 5:05pm | Meeting called to order by Dave Crocco

Commission Members In Attendance

Tom McCleary, Joseph Denny, David M. Crocco Jr., Allison Childs, Nikki Boyle

Commission Members Absent

Brett Mayfield

Others in Attendance

Scott Hausler, Director

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Allison Childs. Seconded by: Joe Denny

In Favor All Opposed None

The motion was Approved or Disapproved? Approved

Citizen Comments

None

Commission Member Comments

Dave Crocco asked about volunteers for the Quechee Balloon Festival. Scott said Sign Up Genius will be used to sign up volunteers. The Chamber of Commerce has a new Director.

Directors Report

See Directors Report for Friday March 29th, Friday April 12th, and Friday May 10th.

The WABA is closed for winter time sports, activities, ice gone.

Maxfield Sports Complex is very busy with Spring time sports.

Scott mentioned that it's the 50th anniversary (1974) that the Town of Hartford's Parks and Recreation Department was entered into the Town Charter as an official department. A video is being created by JAM (Junction Arts and Media) to commemorate this anniversary. Scott put out the word for Commission members to solicit for anyone who may have pictures, video, or remembrances about Town of Hartford recreation to offer them for inclusion, in the JAM video. Scott will be asking for the same in the Town's Constant Contact account.

The unveiling of the World War I and II monuments in Veterans Park will take place on Memorial Day (celebrated), May 27th.

Old Business

Scott reviewed the Town of Hartford's input (letter with comments) for the FERC re-licensing of Great River Hydro's (GRH), Wilder Dam. Requested that GRH's acceptance of the Town's previous requested items in the Town Master Plan of 2008 be implemented (See Town of Hartford letter of May 6, 2024, signed by Town Manager).

A motion was made by Niki Boyle and seconded by Joe Denny for the Parks and Recreation Commission to approve the above letter, dated May 6, 2024, for submission to the FERC. Unanimous in favor of motion.

The Selectboard wants the Parks and Recreation Commission to make an annual presentation to the Selectboard. Dave Crocco asked for a volunteer to make the presentation. Presentation to be made at Selectboard meeting of 6/25. Items Dave suggested could be given for examples of the Commission's activities, accomplishments: work for FERC re-licensing of the Wilder Dam, survey for community recreation center, annual review of documents, helping to get Parks and Recreation Department accreditation, help with changes to park ordinances, Commission members serve as liaisons to other Commissions.

New Business

Document Review – Strategic Plan was briefly looked at. Scott mentioned that P&R staff have been reviewing the plan and the changes are ongoing. Dave Crocco asked whether stated anywhere in this document about goals and objectives for Commission members. Scott will review documents and report on Commission goals and objectives at the next meeting.

A motion was made by Niki Boyle and seconded by Joe Denny to accept the changes made to the Administrative Manual. Unanimous in favor.

Commission members should review the Strategic Plan as well as the Administrative Manual for the next meeting.

The Code of Ethics for Commission members was signed by each of the Commission members present at the meeting.

Next Meeting

June 12, 2024 (Wednesday)

Adjourn

Motion was made to adjourn the meeting by: Dave Crocco Jr. @ 5:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted by: Tom McCleary

Date: 5/9/24

Hartford Parks & Recreation Commission Members

Chair: David M. Crocco Jr. (7/25/2024)

Vice Chair: Allison Childs (04/04/2025)

Clerk: Tom McCleary (03/08/2024)

Joeseeph Denny (?)

Member:: Brett Mayfield (05/16/2025)

Member: Nikki Boyle (04/04/2025)

Vacant: (1 position)