

SALEM RECREATION COMMISSION  
SALEM, CONNECTICUT  
MEETING MINUTES  
September 19th, 2016

**Present**

Sue Spang  
Dave Kennedy  
Diane Weston  
Crispin Fresco-Hawes  
Doug Morrow  
Pam Henry  
Bob Appleby  
Vanessa Bunnell /Recording Secretary

**Absent**

Al Giansanti

**Guests**

Art Bergman  
Art Christian  
Teri Natoli

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Meeting called to order at 7:03 PM by Sue Spang.

**1. MINUTES:**

**M/S/C (Weston/ Kennedy) to approve the August 15<sup>th</sup> minutes with the following amendments Bunnell be removed from the vote listing on line “1” she is not part of the Recreation Commission, therefore is not eligible to have a vote. Line item “f” under New Business should read Vandalism/Garbage. Vote: Unanimous**

**2. TREASURER’S REPORT:**

N/A

**3. PUBLIC COMMENT/GUESTS/CORRESPONDENCE:**

a. Art Bergman discussed with the commission Baseball/Fall ball report, Grass on the fields, bathrooms being open during games and the cleanliness and upkeep of the bathrooms. The Salem school field was discussed as a further option as an alternate space to play.  
Notes from the commission: Spang- Inferno needs proof of insurance. Kennedy- plugs not being put back for the bases.

**4. ADDITIONS AND REVISIONS:**

**M/S/C (Kennedy/ Weston) to add line items for RHR parking lot be added to line “g”, under new business. EL Babe Ruth Discussion be added to line “h”, and Rec Clerk Report be added to line “i” under New Business. Vote: Unanimous.**

## 5. NEW BUSINESS

**a. Art Christian:** Sign proposal for 3 48x30 signs be placed on the back of the fencing of the backstop of the minor league field recognizing Salem's Softball/Baseball championships. **M/S/C (Morrow/ Hawes) to approve the use of signage on non-field side backstop of Major League Field to recognize championship teams by divisions at the district or higher level. The sign is not to exceed 48" tall by 30" wide.**

**Vote: Unanimous.**

**b. New Member: M/S/C (Morrow/ Appleby) to recommend Teri Natoli be appointed to the Recreation Commissions by the Board of Selectmen. Vote: Unanimous**

**c. Well, Septic, and Bathroom update:** Bob/Sue/Don met with CLA for initial estimate, and then met with private engineer and compared fees. The private engineer was significantly less expensive.

**d. Basketball and travel Team with EL:** EL reached out to find available gym space.

**e. Elections: M/S/C (Weston/ Appleby) to elect Sue Spang as Chair of the Rec Commission.**

**Vote: Unanimous. M/S/C (Henry/Hawes) to elect Dave Kennedy as Vice Chair. Vote: Unanimous. M/S/C (Morrow/Henry) to elect Diane Weston to Secretary Position of the commission.**

**Vote: Unanimous**

**f. Capital Request Update:** 2018 Resurfacing Tennis/Courts/Basketball courts at RHR Complex presented on 10/13/16.

**g. Lighting at RHR:** Dave Kennedy is contacting Joe from Eversource.

**h. EL Babe Ruth/Inferno:** Inferno's use of the Babe Ruth field to cease until proof of insurance is given. AAU Heat – paid. **M/S/C (Spang/Appleby) propose that The Rec Commission waive the fee for Salem Inferno pending roster and insurance proof and signed MOU.**

**Vote: Unanimous**

**M/S/C (Appleby/Henry) The Rec Commission waive the fees for Tri County. Waiting on MOU. Vote: Unanimous**

**i. Recreation Clerk Report:** S.Spang request field usage fees from surrounding towns. Trick Or trunk, **M/S/C (Morrow/Hawes) to approve the appropriation of up to \$400 for supplies needed for the Rec Commissions participation in the Trick Or Trunk. Vote: Unanimous.**

## 6. OLD BUSINESS

**a. Volunteer Park – Line c) under New Business**

**b. Baseball – Inform PW bases do not get pulled, leaving bases in. All baseball use them. Windscreen set to go up spring 2017.**

**c. Soccer – N/A**

**d. Basketball- N/A**

**e. Tennis – D.Morrow gave center Tennis court strap to PW to be fixed.**

**f. Multi-purpose Path – N/A**

## 7. OTHER BUSINESS

**a. Estimates from the town parking lot to the playground: M/S/C (Henry/Hawes) motion to appropriate \$3600 out of RHR parking lot capital line for concrete sidewalk from the parking lot to the major league field. 5ft X 100ft. Vote: Unanimous.**

**M/S/C (Kennedy/Appleby) to appropriate funds not to exceed \$6000 out of RHR parking lot capital line for the concrete slab at the concession stand. Vote: Yes- Morrow, Appleby, Spang, Kennedy, Weston, Abstain: None, Oppose: Henry**

**b. Moms Club/Lions Club as a possibility to use the RHR concession stand as fundraiser.**

## **8. FUTURE ACTION ITEMS**

- a. Community Ice Skating Rink – N/A**

## **9. ADJOURNMENT**

**M/S/C (Kennedy/ Henry) to adjourn the meeting at 9:34 PM. Vote: Approved Unanimous.**

Respectfully submitted by  
Vanessa Bunnell,

Recording Secretary